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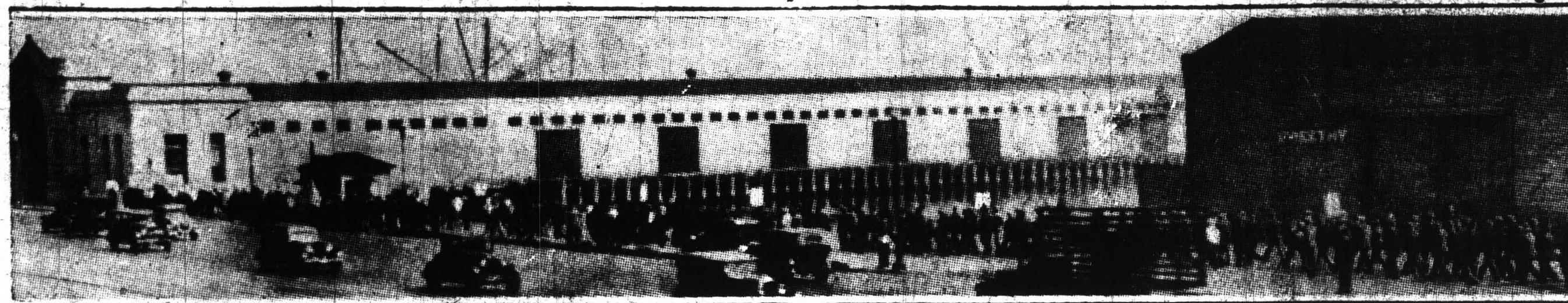
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EAST, GULF SOLIDARITY WITH WEST GROWS

ONCE AGAIN PICKETS ON THE EMBARCADERO—HOW IT LOOKED DURING 1934 STRIKE



State, Nation Defeat Anti- Labor Landon

Not Decisive Victory
For Progressives,
Says Browder

Resounding Defeat Is
Given Hearst In
California

(See Page 2 for tabulation of
votes cast for Communist can-
didates in California.)

California, home of William Randolph Hearst, gave a re-
sounding defeat to the program of
the Fascist publisher in the presiden-
tial elections.

Alf Landon, the candidate of
Hearst, Wall Street and the Lib-
erty League, trailed far be-
hind President Roosevelt in the
presidential elections.

Giving President Roosevelt the
largest popular vote major-
ity and the largest electoral
vote in the history of the United
States, the people completely
swayed under the Republi-
can Party, which carried only
two states with eight electoral
votes.

"The results of the elections
constitute a defeat for the
worst reactionaries, but not a
decisive victory for the pro-
gressives," declared Earl Brow-
der, Communist candidate for
President.

"The results are also a re-
buke to the red baiters."

"One of the most encouraging
signs is the large vote cast in
New York City for the Ameri-
can Labor Party."

"The correctness of our anal-
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SEA UNIONS IN 3 BASIC DEMANDS

(Maritime News Service)
SAN FRANCISCO—Only three
basic demands are involved in
the Maritime Unions present
strike of 39,000 West Coast sea-
men and longshoremen.

They are, as reviewed for Ad-
miral Harry G. Hamlet, repre-
sentative of the U.S. Maritime
Commission, by the unions before
they walked out at mid-
night, October 29:

1. Continuation of the prefer-
ential employment method.

2. Payment of overtime in cash
and not in time off.

3. The eight-hour day for mem-
bers in every department of the
ship's crew.

Regarding the first issue, the
Joint Negotiating Committee for
the unions wrote Hamlet:

"This can work NO hardship
on the employers for it is merely
the continuation of the prac-
tices now in effect."

On the matter of paying for
overtime in cash and not time off,
the committee argued:

"This will not cost the ship-
owners anything as the present
award provides for overtime and
this merely covers the method
of payment. In no other industry
of which we have knowledge is
overtime paid in any manner
than by cash. There is absolutely
no basis for the argument that
work performed should not be
paid for."

King Case Bias Charge Hangs Fire

SAN FRANCISCO.—Although
the frameup trial of Earl King,
secretary of the Marine Fire-
men, E. G. Ramsay and Frank Conner,
in the Point Lobos murder
case is technically set for
next Monday, the motion of the
defense to disqualify Judge Ogden
is still hanging fire. The disqualification motion was based
on charges of bias.

Defense attorneys are expected
to stipulate that any judge who
has not been connected with Dis-
trict Attorney Warren's office
will be satisfactory to the de-
fense. Ogden was associated with
Warren, and is therefore charged
with bias.

Jobless Will Support

LOS ANGELES.—To show the
solidarity of the unemployed
with their brothers in the trade
unions, the Workers Alliance will
be ready to mobilize hundreds of
its members for the maritime
unions' picket lines in San Pedro
when they are needed.

SOLID DEFENSE OF MADRID BY SPAIN PEOPLE

Workers' Militia In Counter-Attack On Fascists

MADRID—With unlimited
courage and determination,
the people of Spain stood
solid in defense of Madrid,
despite repeated bombings of
the city by Fascist aircraft, kill-
ing chiefly women and children.

Despite handicaps of poor
armaments against the perfectly
equipped Fascist troops, whose
arms are provided by Nazi Ger-
many and Fascist Italy, the
workers' militia fiercely coun-
ter-attacked the Fascists outside
of the capital.

Spanish government fliers shot
down one big Fascist bomber in
flames over Madrid.

The defenders of the legal gov-
ernment of Spain are determined
that Madrid shall not fall into
the bloody hands of the Franco-
Mola Fascist armies.

LONDON—Outlandish charges
by the British government and
the German Nazis, that the Sovi-
et Union has been shipping arms
to the Spanish government in
violation of the non-intervention
pact, were completely blasted at
the meeting of the non-interven-
tion committee here.

Food, clothing and trucks are
all that has been shipped to the
Spanish people by the Soviet
Union.

BLACKLISTING RULES SALINAS

SALINAS.—Betrayed by re-
actionary officials, the lettuce
strikers find themselves at the
mercy of the Grower-Shippers
Association.

The sabotage of Fruit and
Vegetable Workers Union secre-
tary Doss and president Shevlin
finally left the strikers in a position
where it became apparent
that the strike, after two and a
half months of valiant struggle
on the part of the membership,
was lost. The union members
voted 2 to 1 the other day to
call the strike off.

The settlement handed them
by Edward Vandeur and Gov.
Merriam permits the employers
to keep non-union help, and to
refuse jobs to any union mem-
bers they regard as "trouble-
makers"—meaning progressive
members.

The old wage scale—75 cents
an hour for packers and 55 cents
for trimmers, remains in effect.
Preferential hiring, which was
the basic strike demand, was
abandoned by the officials; a sys-
tem of local preference, which
takes in non-union men, is con-
tinued in the settlement.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Counsel's
arguments in the Tom Mooney
habeas corpus hearings will
probably be heard before the
State Supreme Court soon after
the first of the year.

19th Birthday of the Soviet Union

Dreamland Aud. To Be Scene for S.F.'s
Most Gala Celebration In History;
Two Mass Meetings In L.A.

Hearts of 170,000,000 citizens
of the Soviet Union will quicken
and stir with joy, pride and hap-
piness on Saturday, November 7th,
in celebration of 19 years of
triumphant Socialism.

Celebrating with them will be
countless other millions of work-
ing people throughout the world.

Hudson will also give an analysis
of the 1936 presidential elections.

Socialism in building a new,
happy and prosperous life for
the Soviet people will be out-
lined by Roy Hudson, member
of the Central Committee of the
Communist Party, U.S.A., the
guest speaker of the evening.

Hudson will also give an analysis
of the 1936 presidential elections.

PROSPERITY IN REMOTE MONGOLIA



INDUSTRY UNDER THE SOVIETS marches on even in remote,
and previously wild, undeveloped outer Mongolia, whose people
once roamed wild, had no written language, no industry at all.

Since they allied themselves with the Soviet Union, and set up
a Mongolian People's Republic, they have begun to modernize
themselves. Photo was taken in huge industrial combine at
Ulan-Bator, capital of the People's Republic—a combine including
leather, shoe, cloth, fur and other factories.

including four joyous celebra-
tions in California.

Frank Spector, C.P. Organizer
in S.F. County, will be chair-
man.

San Francisco workers will
trek out to Dreamland Auditor-
ium Saturday, starting at 6 p.m.
until midnight, for the most elab-
orate, most entertaining, most
inspiring celebration of Novem-
ber 7th in San Francisco history.

The victorious achievements of
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Strike Proves Labor Party Need

Editorial

THE ELECTIONS are over, but the strike is still on. The mar-
itime strike, which has tied up not only the Pacific Coast,
but almost the entire Atlantic and Gulf Coast, has already given
scores of examples of the need for independent political action
by labor, to back up even the most effective economic struggle.
The employers and their political agents have not hesitated to
engage in political action. A few examples:

Governor Merriam rushed into print with a statement that
the strike is due to "Communistic influence."

Mayor Rossi declared a "state of emergency" in San Fran-
cisco, and started alarmist reports about "food shortages," etc., to
justify the appointment of the head of the notorious Citizens' Com-
mittee of 1934 to "represent the city" and lay the groundwork
for vigilante action.

The Los Angeles Police Department demanded \$44,000 for
police guards on the San Pedro waterfront, and was turned down
by the Finance Committee of the Los Angeles City Council,
ONLY AFTER THE I.L.A. AND OTHER MARITIME UNIONS
ENGAGED IN POLITICAL ACTION when they protested against
the appropriation.

The Mayor of Philadelphia declared the strike "illegal" and
ordered the arrest of all pickets, but withdrew the order when
the unions ENGAGED IN POLITICAL ACTION and organized
a mass protest.

The Mayor of New Orleans ordered the arrest of pickets and
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Over 214 Ships Tied Up By East and Gulf Seamen

NEW YORK—The 15,000
seamen on strike on the East
and Gulf Coasts were all set
to meet on Friday, to formulate
demands of their own.

The East and Gulf strikers,
who have tied up over 214
ships, struck originally at the
call of the Seamen's Defense
Committee, as a measure of sol-
idarity with the West Coast
strike.

Their strike is legal under union
rules, since it was voted at
a regularly called meeting of the
union members. (Reactionary
I.S.U. officials walked out of
the meeting last week, without
adjourning it.)

Reactionary Officials Herd Seabs

Latest reports quote the I.S.U.
reactionary officials, like Grange,
Clarence Angle and Ivan Hunter,
as stating that they had already
begun recruiting strikebreakers
to man the ships tied up by the
rank and file.

Huge concentrations of police
are reported as preparing to
back up the shipowners and reac-
tionary I.S.U. officials' strike-
breaking efforts.

At least 17 Atlantic and Gulf
ports are struck. Longshoremen
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DANGER AT SEA



WHAT STRIKING SEAMEN ask for certainly deserves the support of all organized labor and the general public. A sailor's life on shipboard is one fraught with danger. Photo shows member of crew of ship Sand Merchant being hauled aboard a freighter which rescued seven seamen after their ship capsized recently in Lake Eric gale. Eighteen seamen were lost.

No reason was given for this
refusal.

Pacific Strikers Con- sider Public Interests In Actions

(Other strike news on Pages
2, 7 and 8)

Orderly and with system,
the 39,000 Pacific Coast mari-
time strikers are maintaining
their picket lines solid over a
150 mile area.

So far, the iron discipline of
the strikers has made it next to
impossible for the ship owners
and the authorities to spring any
provocations.

The East Coast strike which
began as a solidarity strike with
the West Coast, has grown to
such an extent that at least
15,000 seamen of all crafts are
reported out with close to 214
ships tied up on the East and
Gulf Coasts. East Coast strikers
were set to adopt demands of
their own on Friday.

Further proof that the ship-
owners have stood and still stand
in the way of peaceful settle-
ment, which the unions desire,
was shown when the Ship-
owners Association of the Pacific,
representing 75 steam schooner
owners, refused to reopen nego-
tiations with the Masters, Maters
and Pilots Union.

No reason was given for this
refusal.

Public Considered

The Coast Policy Committee of
all the unions recommended to
have union men remove all per-
ishable foods—both ships' stores
and cargoes, from strikebound
vessels.

This recommendation was sub-
mitted to the port strike com-
mittees.

Maritime workers were up in
arms at reports that U. S.
Steamboat Navigation inspectors
in Portland were taking the num-
bers of licensed men who had
struck there. The Marine En-
gineers' Beneficial Association
saw in this a threat to deprive
the licensed men of their right
to strike, by punishing them.

Certain federal authorities
have indicated that they are sym-
pathetic with the shipowners' de-
mand for government interven-
tion against the strike.

Secretary of Commerce Roper
said he had not yet definitely
refused to approve the request
of Joseph B. Weaver, chief of the
Bureau of Marine Navigation
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PEDRO STRIKERS KEEP OWN ORDER

Union Police Watch For Provocateurs

STOCKTON.—Six hundred
bargemen have struck 15 compa-
nies in a demand for wage in-
creases and shorter hours. The
strike is not a sympathy strike
with general maritime strike on
the West Coast.

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the I.L.A. They operate barges on
the San Joaquin and Sacramento
Rivers and on San Francisco Bay.

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hourly rate basis are asking in-
creases from 62½ to 85 cents an
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Big \$12,000 Drive For Support of Daily and Western Worker is Opened Up!

THE California State Committee of the Communist Party appeals to the people of California and the West to guarantee the publication of the Western Worker for the coming year and to contribute the annual California quota for the support of the Daily and Sunday Worker.

To this end a campaign for \$12,000 will be carried out between November 15th and March 1st.

We are confident that this sum will be raised in record time by the masses in factories and trade unions, on farms and in cities, who have been reached by the Communist Party in the election campaign just ended.

The masses in California and throughout the country recognized with the Communist Party that the basic issue confronting the American people today is the issue of Democracy against

Fascism. Throughout the campaign the Communist Party pointed out that this issue would not be settled by the election.

The issue of Democracy vs. Fascism is still the main issue confronting the American people and the need for building a Farmer-Labor Party is greater than ever.

The movement toward a Farmer-Labor Party must grow into a national avalanche! The American people must demonstrate that their vote for Roosevelt was not a blank check! Reaction has received a rebuke, but is not yet defeated. It must be beaten!

The Communist Party and its working class press can play a decisive role in building the Farmer-Labor Party for the defeat of reaction.

Trade Union Members: Give to the papers that support your

day to day fight for bread and decent working conditions, to and institutions against the forces of Hearst-Wall Street reaction. The papers which fight vigilatism, reaction and open shop!

Farmers: Give to the papers which fight monopolies and power trusts, to the papers which support your demand for the unnumbered use of your land against the banks and landlords who seek to take it away from you.

Small business people: Give to the papers which defend your interests against the banks, trusts and chain stores, to the papers which demand that the cost of government and relief be put on the shoulders of the rich, who can pay.

Supporters of Democracy and Peace: Give to the papers which lead the fight against reaction and Fascism, to the papers leading the fight for a Farmer-Labor Party as the only guarantee that the American people can retain their democratic rights

Do not wait until you are approached directly. Send your contributions to the State Campaign Committee for the Western and Daily Worker, 121 Haight Street, San Francisco.

CALIF. STATE COMMITTEE, C. P. U. S. A.

In its next issue, the Western Worker will announce quotas agreed upon at a conference of California county organizers.

SAN BERNARDINO OUTRAGED AT VIGILANTISM

C.P. Nominee Denied Free Speech For Third Time

SAN BERNARDINO—Public reaction is strong here against the vigilantes and hoodlums, led by the American Legion, who three times used force and violence to prevent Charles McLauchlan, Communist candidate for Congress in the 19th District, from speaking for his campaign over radio station KFXM.

The majority of the citizens of San Bernardino are outraged at the Legionnaires' flouting of the Constitution, many of them openly expressing their indignation on the streets.

McLauchlan was stopped from making his third scheduled speech last Monday night, when the vigilantes cut main power transmission wires leading to the station, shortly before the C. P. nominee was to go on the air.

McLauchlan outwitted the vigilantes, who had planned to prevent him from entering the radio studio, when he arrived two hours before the time set for the broadcast and bolted the door from within.

A crowd of 1,000 jammed the hotel in which KFXM is located, and the nearby street. The crowd remained comparatively orderly, despite efforts of vigilante provocateurs to incite a riot.

West Coast Strike

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and inspection, to open up a series of "sea service bureaus," or federal hiring halls, on the Pacific Coast. Such a system would mean that the unions would have no say in hiring.

The placing of navy or naval reserve "safety crews" aboard ships has also been requested of the government by shipowners' representatives in Washington.

Despite the fact that the maritime unions' strike committee have conducted picketing and other activities with the utmost peacefulness, Los Angeles police authorities have increased the police force on the San Pedro waterfront to 600, and the Seattle city council plans to discuss a bill to prohibit mass picketing by setting up a deadline 50 feet away from the piers.

Attempts of the shipowners' and the lumber corporations to create antagonism among the timber workers against the maritime workers through claiming that the strike had forced the closing of lumber mills, received a severe blow when 70,000 members of the Sawmill and Timber Workers Union in the Northwest assessed themselves \$1 each to aid the maritime strikers.

Proof that the unions are out to maintain peacefulness was given such cases as the San Pedro strike committee setting up a union police system to guard against anti-union provocateurs and the Seattle unions meeting with Police Chief Sears to discuss means of preventing any clashes.

Strike Proves Labor Party Need

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is attempting to break the strike. And Edward F. McGrady, Assistant Secretary of Labor and Roosevelt's representative here, has been issuing threatening statements against the strike and the maritime unions, as a "challenge to the Government."

And shipowners' agent Weaver, of the Bureau of Navigation, is demanding "government hiring halls," a Fascist set-up.

And the Copeland Bill, signed by Roosevelt, still hangs as a sinister threat over the heads of the seamen, through the admiralty-backed Maritime Commission.

Every maritime worker must realize that as long as labor is tied to the kite of the Democratic or Republican party, they will be confronted with this sort of thing whenever they engage in any struggle for their most elementary rights. What the workers need is a Labor Party, or a Farmer-Labor party, to back up their economic struggles, to repeal the anti-picketing ordinances, the Copeland Bills, the Criminal Syndicalism laws, and adopt effective social and labor legislation to protect labor's rights and its needs. Your battle will be twice as effective if it is backed up on the political field by labor's own party, entering the fight for local, state, and national office.

Organized Labor must look ahead to the 1937, 1938, and 1940 elections. Start by building a Farmer-Labor Party NOW!

PRICES GO DOWN WEEK AFTER WEEK IN SOVIET UNION



HERE'S A TYPICAL scene nowadays in the Soviet Union, where people are celebrating the 19th anniversary of their liberation from capitalist oppression. Scene shows prices being marked down in a grocery store in Moscow. Increased, planned production makes possible lowered prices. A different story in the U. S. A.

PEDRO UNIONS HIT COP THREAT

No Need For Police In Strike Area

LOS ANGELES—As a result of pressure from union organizations, the Los Angeles City Council on Thursday refused to appropriate an appropriation of \$44,500 for expenses of police assigned to strike duty in San Pedro.

LOS ANGELES—The proposed allocation of close to fifty thousand dollars for the maintenance of six hundred Los Angeles policemen assigned to the waterfront area for "preservation of peace" was protested by officials of the International Longshoremen's Association.

Other unions to protest were the San Pedro local No. 9 of the American Radio Telegraphists Association, and Local No. 9 of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America.

All three unions protested that in 1934, the expense of feeding and housing the additional police forces were paid for by the shipping companies. They pointed out that there was no necessity for the police to be sent to the strike area and urged that the council make immediate reconsideration of the matter. It was further demanded that Mayor Shaw veto any action taken by the council.

C. H. Hunt, representing the longshoremen, conferred Wednesday with Councilmen Wilson and Stephen W. Cunningham and Arthur Eldridge, general manager of the harbor department. Wilson, who is chairman of the council's finance committee, later in the day called a meeting to discuss with Chief of Police James E. Davis the request for allocation of strike funds and to consider the protests lodged against it.

NOT DECISIVE VICTORY FOR PROGRESSIVES

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ysis and the unrealistic position of the Socialist Party are already indicated by the partial return in New York City, which show a substantial increase in the vote of our party and quite a decrease in the Socialist Party vote."

In addition to the complete failure of the red-baiting campaign carried on by the Republicans against Roosevelt, the results also significantly showed the complete failure of Father Coughlin's Fascist Union Party, whose candidate, Lemke, was not a factor in any state and polled less than 400,000 votes in the nation.

The national vote for Earl Browder had not been tabulated as the Western Worker went to press, but partial returns indicated his vote would be larger than that cast for Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate.

(See next issue for more complete returns, and additional information on the elections.)

Largest Vote in History in New York City

NEW YORK—(Special)—The Communist Party polled the largest vote in history in New York City, complete returns showed, reaching over 66,000 for candidate Schwab for justice of the State Court of Appeals.

City-wide totals for all state candidates of the Communist Party exceeded 60,000, surpassing the Socialists' average by 6000. The Communist vote increased approximately 45 percent over 1934, and more than doubled the 1932 balloting.

Earl Browder and James W. Ford polled 32,162 in the city, one-third more than double the 1932 balloting.

Running for governor of New York, Robert Minor received 37,074 votes in the city.

Possibility that the Communist Party may secure participation in the city government, was seen when the city proportional representation carried.

Spain Delegation To Speak In California

SAN FRANCISCO—Eye-witness accounts of the horrors of Fascist aggression in Spain, will be given by a Spanish government delegation here on Sunday, November 15th, 2 p. m., at Dreamland Auditorium. The delegation includes Marcelino Domingo, Father Luis Sarasola, and Senora Isabel de Palencia.

LOS ANGELES—The Spanish government delegation will speak here Sunday, November 22nd, at Jeffers Auditorium, 123 North Lake Street.

EAST, GULF SOLIDARITY

Over 214 Ships Now Tied Up There

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in Baltimore and Houston are reported as picketing in support of the East and Gulf seamen and the West Coast strikers.

Fifty-eight ships are tied up in New York; 20 in Baltimore; 22 in Philadelphia; 23 in Philadelphia; 16 in New Orleans; two in Newark; three in Providence; nine in Port Arthur; six in Galveston; 12 in Houston; with many other ships struck in Boston, Savannah, Charleston, Norfolk, Albany, Texas City and other ports. These figures grow from day to day.

A committee of nine headed by Joseph Curran head of the Seamen's Defense Committee, is leading the strike.

In Charleston, S. C., 41 members of the American-Hawaiian "Missourian" crew struck. This is a West Coast ship.

The West Coast American-Hawaiian ship "Arizonan" was struck in Boston.

Over 500 men picketed the Houston waterfront. In New Orleans 100 pickets were arrested by police.

The Seamen's Defense Committee reports 164 ships struck in Atlantic and Gulf Ports, including 58 ships and 7,000 men in New York alone, and Baltimore and Philadelphia closed tight. 6000 men are registered for picket duty in New York.

The Philadelphia teamsters are supporting the strike, it is reported.

1700 voting members of seamen's unions met in New York Wednesday and voted unanimously for the coastwise conference Friday, to set up demands for the East and Gulf Coast seamen.

Chairman of the strike committee.

The East Coast strategy committee of nine is composed of: Deck—Joseph Curran, Albert Lannon, and Glenn More-Skoglund. Engine room—Jack Lawrence, Francis Muldering and "Blacky" Keenan. From the stewards, Ferdinand Smith, Frank Jones and Charles McCarthy were chosen.

The East Coast seamen's support of the West Coast strike is best expressed in the following resolution unanimously adopted at one of their meetings:

WHEREAS: Our union brothers in all Atlantic and Gulf ports have already taken action in support of our West Coast brothers and

WHEREAS: At a mass meeting last night sponsored by the International officials of the International Seamen's Union of America, we unanimously voted to declare a general strike of all ships in support of the West

SHIPOWNERS' LOBBIES BUSY IN WASHINGTON

Want Ships Manned By Crews From U.S. Navy

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WASHINGTON—Shipowners' representatives are infesting Washington, seeking to enlist the federal government for strikebreaking.

Strong pressure by these gentlemen has been put on the Maritime Commission in the past few days, urging federal intervention in the East, Gulf and West Coast strikes. Scores of telegrams from shipowners and their stooges accompany this.

Shipowners' Stooges

"Business men and civic bodies" is the way these shipowners' creations are described in the capitalist press.

Among measures sought by these interests is an attempt to get the President to declare a "national emergency" under which the Maritime Commission would be empowered to requisition the vessels and man them with government crews—such as members of the Naval Reserve.

The powerful shipowners' lobbies redoubled their activities after election day. Capt. W. J. Peterson, Washington representative of the Pacific-American Steamship Association, said he would demand Federal intervention.

Manning of ships by navy men is part of his plan.

DEFEAT TO HEARST

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Contra Costa County, 95 for Browder to 68 for Thomas; in San Mateo County, 166 for Browder to 250 for Thomas; San Bernardino County, 104 for Browder; Orange County, 134 for Browder to 210 for Thomas; Riverside County, 39 for Browder. All returns are incomplete except for San Francisco.

In State Assembly and Congressional elections, resounding defeat for the Republican candidates was also recorded. The Landowners lost three Congressional seats to Democrats, and a Democratic majority will rule in the Assembly. All Epic incumbents in the Tuesday elections were re-elected. One Epic incumbent was defeated in the primaries.

Votes on state propositions showed a strong progressive trend and indicated the tremendous support that will be available for a California Farmer-Labor Party.

The proposition to repeal the income tax was heavily defeated, as were the phoney liquor control proposals. The proposal to turn over state-owned tidelands to Standard Oil was defeated, and the proposed oleomargarine tax was shown under.

Chain Store Tax

The chain store tax proposal carried in San Francisco, indicating the working people are anxious to tax the rich corporations, but lost out in all other counties. However, the "Yes" vote was very heavy, 909,672 and mistaken conceptions by many liberals and progressives as to operation of the bill were responsible for the proposal's defeat.

The attorney roundly denounced the radio addresses of Rev. Martin Luther Thomas, who, he said, is building up a large following, in the small small towns in the agricultural districts by teaching local fakirs how to extract large sums from grower and shipper organizations for carrying out Jew-baiting and anti-labor policies under guise of an anti-Communist drive.

Gifford Cochran, son of a wealthy industrial family and now national secretary for the National Committee for Defense of Political Prisoners,

coast maritime unions, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That we reaffirm our stand of last night and call on all ships' crews, that are now in port and those coming into port, to immediately declare a sit-down strike as the most effective means of supporting our West Coast brothers and at the same time preventing scabs from manning the ships, and be it further

RESOLVED: That, on those ships where the sitting crews are driven off by the police, we immediately establish picket lines and be it further

RESOLVED: That all ships

Violations By Shipowners On Pedro Vessels

SAN PEDRO—Notwithstanding the fact that the Maritime Strike here has been conducted in the most peaceful manner possible, labor-hater Capt. "Red" Hynes, head of the harbor police army, on November 4 increased his force by an additional 200 men, bringing it up to 600.

Police have placed a fast radio equipped fifty-four-foot motor cruiser on twenty-four-hour patrol of the harbor.

Intensified activity of the police army and the news of its increase indicate to even conservative observers that this is but a preliminary step to guard scabs the shipowners may plan to bring into the harbor by the hundreds within a short time.

Three hundred and fifty men employed aboard the Pan-Pacific liner California and the crew of the Dollar liner President Wilson were paid off after company officials claimed the East Coast workers had violated an agreement that shipping crews recruited in the East would not participate in the Pacific Coast strike.

Violations By Shipowners

Unions, meanwhile, charged operators with violating manning provisions of the Seamen's Act in explaining their action in removing crews from the liners President Wilson and California.

Roy Farrell, business agent of the Firemen's Union, is reported to have made the following statement:

The President Wilson and the California show violations of the Seamen's Act with respect to special watches. On the President Wilson only half of the firemen were on watch as provided by law. On the California the able seamen were not equally divided as required by

LABOR AND POLITICS

By John Broman

The elections are over. But politics are not over. Working people in particular must recognize that politics have just started. For the next four years, the American people are going to have to battle tooth-and-nail against the Fascist plans of Wall Street, for Wall Street is not going out of politics.

The biggest and most reactionary forces in capitalism have always been active in politics 335 days a year—and 366 days in Leap Year—ever since they established themselves.

Labor will always be in politics until capitalist oppression is ended forever and Socialism is established in America.

Hearst-Liberty League Gang . . .

The Hearst-Liberty League gang that backed Alf Landon for the presidency are going to be very active when Congress begins its next session. Their representatives in California are going to have their snouts in Sacramento when the State Legislature opens the first of the year.

Unless the working people of California and the nation organize now to stop them, these political and economic gangsters are going to introduce bills in Congress and in the Legislature against labor and against the people in general. And they are going to fight against any progressive and pro-labor legislation that comes into these legislative bodies.

With their millions upon millions of dollars, the Hearst-Liberty League combine is going to try to halt any benefits for the broad masses of the American people.

Fight for People's Bills . . .

In the next Legislature bills will be introduced on the main issues, affecting organized labor: against vigilanism, for the 30-hour week, for trade union wages on all public projects, against the Criminal Syndicalism Act, etc.

If these bills are to be passed and put into law, the maximum amount of organized pressure will have to be put on those assemblymen and state senators who are inclined to disregard the will of the people, even though the people put them into office.

The majority of the people's "representatives" in Congress and Legislatures have their price, as the "big shots" of industry and finance know, and only mass pressure can make them think that it won't pay them to be paid off.

Farmer-Labor Party Need . . .

The only really effective means to get labor bills passed, and pro-banker bills defeated, is for labor and other-pro-labor forces to organize independently on the political field in a Farmer-Labor party.

This is the job that organized labor faces—to organize its own political party in California and in the nation, and to win to its side the Epics, the Townsendites, the small farmers, the professionals, and all other enemies of Wall Street and friends of labor.

And the sooner this job is started, the sooner there'll be a Farmer-Labor Party, and the better off the majority of the people will be. The Hearsts, the du Ponts, the Morgans, the Rockefellers, the Fleishackers, the Chandlers, etc.—they're the only ones whose feelings and pocketbooks will be hurt.

Hearst's Deal With Nazis . . .

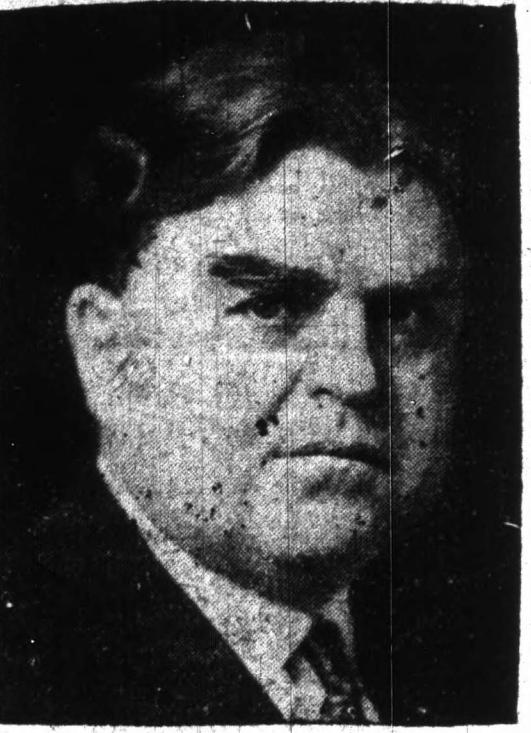
Speaking at a campaign rally in Berkeley last week, I was asked by a worker to prove my statement that Hearst is paid \$400,000 by the Hitler government to spread pro-Nazi propaganda in America, and to print the proof in this column, inasmuch as I didn't have it with me.

Here's the proof—look up the New York Times files and see a dispatch from Frederick T. Birchall, former Times managing editor and now its roving correspondent in Europe, printed on December 31st, 1934, and January 1st, 1935.

Birchall cabled that the German propaganda division had signed a contract to purchase Hearst's International news service at 1,000,000 marks (\$400,000) annually. The service goes direct to the Hitler government through the Wolff Bureau, which has a mutual exchange agreement with Associated Press. Hitler gets U.S. news without paying a cent. Inasmuch as A.P. news is much more complete and accurate, while Hearst's I.N.S. furnishes merely a few sensations plus filler material, it is obvious that Hitler is paying Hearst to spread pro-Nazi propaganda in the U.S.

For further proof, see any Hearst newspaper.

LABOR PARTY



An Important Message

TO THOSE WHO VOTED COMMUNIST:

On November 3rd, you went to the ballot box and voted for the Communist Party candidate for President and Vice-President, and for Congress and State Legislature, because you were satisfied that the Communist program for the elections was the only positive and satisfactory program offered you—a program of militant struggle for the people's needs and against the pro-Fascist program of the Hearst-Liberty League group behind Alf Landon.

You saw the need for unity of all labor and pro-labor groups to fight off Wall Street reaction, and you saw that the Communist Party was the only political party to fight for such unity through a mighty People's Front, a Farmer-Labor Party.

Now that the elections are over, you see that the next step in the struggle against this reaction is actively to build the Farmer-Labor Party in California and in the nation.

And now you must see that your place in the battle front against reaction and for building a Farmer-Labor Party, is as a member of the Communist Party. Whether you are a member of a trade union, an Epic Club, a Townsend Club, a housewife, a young worker, an unemployed worker, you can best further the cause of unity against Wall Street's Fascist program as a member of the Communist Party. As a member of the Communist Party, you can lay the necessary basis toward the day when it will be necessary for the people of America to move forward to Socialism, to complete freedom, prosperity and happiness.

Join the Communist Party today, and fight for the principles you voted for! Fill out the following blank and mail it without delay:

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Communist Party,
121 Haight Street,
San Francisco.

OR
Communist Party,
224 S. Spring St., No. 409,
Los Angeles.

I want to join the Communist Party (mark "X").
I want more information about the Communist Party.

Name Address City State Occupation Sex Age Nationality

Rogue's Gallery Backs Fascist Publication

LOS ANGELES.—A real rogue's gallery could be made of the backers of the so-called "Constitutional Defender," official organ of the "Constitution Society of America," carrying on anti-labor and pro-Fascist propaganda here.

The gallery would include Harry Chandler, anti-labor publisher of the L.A. Times; Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, Stanford University president; Dr. Ernest C. Moore, ex-head of the University of California at Los Angeles; ex-President Herbert Hoover; Federal Judge Benjamin F. Bledsoe; Archbishop John J. Cantwell; Mayor Frank L. Shaw; Chief Deputy City Attorney Walter A. Dodd of San Francisco; Municipal Judge Oda Faulconer; Gertrude Rounsville, chairman of the L.A. Board of Education.

These are the rogues supporting this Fascist paper and its policies.

The "Constitutional Defender" urges that Earl Browder, Communist presidential candidate, be deported and claims the sole aim of the Communist Party is a "ghastly world war."

The paper is published by Robert Dyer Hobday, for "capitalism and the profit system."

McShann Tells of Scab Agencies Get Set In L.A.

LOS ANGELES.—In spite of a sign on the door which states that no strikebreakers are being hired, the Industrial Protection Agency, room 300, Wilcox building, here is steadily interviewing applicants to serve as "guards" for scabs.

Due to the utmost secrecy with which the hiring is conducted, it could not be learned if these so-called guards are being sent to the San Pedro waterfront. But on the morning the maritime strike broke, scores of thugs were to be seen hanging around the front of the building and at least twenty of them were lounging around an inner office "waiting for a call."

"If it had not been for the prison relief of the International Labor Defense, I would not have survived."

McShann was sentenced in 1934 on an "inciting to riot" frame-up after his arrest for leading a grievance committee of the unemployed demanding cash relief instead of "garbage basket aid." Police brutally beat him resulting in a probable life-long injury to his back.

Inglewood Paper Would Like Nazi Terror In U.S.

INGLEWOOD.—Suggesting that the Nazi method of ridding the country of the "Reds" might not be amiss in America, the Inglewood Daily News has again raised the question of "Americanism" and "relief" in connection with James Ayres, Communist candidate for Assembly, 46th District, and his wife, Martha Oathout Ayres, famous socialist, listed in the "Who's Who" for 1936.

The Daily News, saying the Ayres family has been on relief for the past few months, recommends that before any person be eligible for relief, he should be required to take an oath that he does not belong to the Communist Party. It proposed a Fascist "purge" of America à la Hitler.

We Are The Americans

Mrs. Ayres suggested that the Daily News editorial staff might do well to read "Who Are the Americans," by Earl Browder, and learn that the Communists are the only ones living up to our revolution traditions of 1776. "My ancestors came over to America in 1640 and fought in all our wars," said Mrs. Ayres. "One of them was President of the United States. So it really amuses me to be called 'un-American.'"

Her husband also traces his ancestry back more than 100 years in U.S. history.

U.S. JUDGE AIDS VIGILANTES

LOS ANGELES.—Federal Judge McCormick refused to take the side of law and order against lawless vigilantes here last week, when he refused an injunction restraining police officials of Imperial County, 15 known vigilantes and 50 "John Doe" vigilantes from interfering with a radio broadcast to be given by Esco L. Richardson, Communist candidate for Congress, 20th District, in El Centro.

Court objection was: "But you haven't set the time and place you expect to be meeting with interference."

"If it is evidence you want," declared Leo Gallagher, attorney for the Communist Party, "there was plenty of that in this court last week Friday when we put several witnesses on the stand to testify to the acts of vigilantism that have occurred in Imperial Valley."

THE SOVIET WORKERS LIVE WELL



WITH TABLES like this waiting for them, 800 guests did not lack for good cheer at the wedding feast of Gregory Velichko, Soviet Union collective farm brigade leader. They were married at the First of May collective farm in the North Caucasus. Food has become plentiful for the Soviet workers and farmers. On November 7, Soviet people celebrated the 19th anniversary of November 7th, 1917 revolution.

S.F. AGAIN IS LEADING DRIVE FOR MEMBERS

115 Recruited During One Week to C.P. In California

PRESENT S.P. TACTICS AID TO REACTION

C. P. Candidate Exposes False Position

With Saturday, November 7th, the first lap in the Browder-Ford Membership Drive to double the membership of the Communist Party by January 21, 1937, San Francisco took the lead back from Los Angeles in the week ending October 30th.

The previous week Los Angeles caught up with San Francisco and tied at 156 new members each. But the tie didn't last long. San Francisco again being out in front with a total of 203 new members.

The Communist Party recruited 115 one week throughout the state.

Don't Be A Lagger

East Bay came in with 20 recruits and promises more soon. Some of the "laggers" are still lagging, including San Diego, Contra Costa, Fort Bragg, San Mateo and Santa Clara.

The new State Recruiting Bulletin is just off the press, chock-full of good material, and should be read by every member. Get a copy from your unit or section.

All comrades are asked to send in comments and tell of their results in the recruiting drive.

How Do You Stand?

	Pledged	Recruited %
San Francisco	264	203 76.8
Los Angeles	208	185 88.9
East Bay	122	65 53.2
Bakersfield	20	20
Monterey	0	13
Merced	0	12
San Diego	0	7
San Bernardino	20	7 35.0
Contra Costa	0	6
Sacramento	12	6 50.0
San Mateo	0	4
Santa Clara	0	5
Eureka	5	3 60.0
Sonoma	0	3
Fort Bragg	24	1 4.1
Stockton	0	1
Fresno	0	0
Tulare	0	0
Nevada	5	0
Arizona	0	0
Totals	663	4545 82.2

There would be no more模范的框架 by Standard Oil, no need to place Shell Oil on the unfair list. There wouldn't be any Standard Oil or Shell Oil.

The men who work for Shell and Standard and the rest of the oil corporations own and operate, through the workers and farmers government, the oil and all other industries.

Ashe patiently explained to him that, far from abandoning the fight for Socialism, the Communist Party leads the struggle for immediate needs in order to strengthen the workers against Fascism and in order to prepare them for the time when it will be necessary for the American people to move forward to Socialism.

Arthur Johnson, Progressive Party candidate, also spoke advocating the Townsend Plan and Father Coughlin's program. He attempted to deny the Fascist program of Father Coughlin.

In a letter to Ralph O. Chick, manager of the Coliseum, Paul F. Fratessa, state head of Father Coughlin's National Union for Social Justice, requested cancellation of the contract and the return of the \$500 deposit necessary to rent the stadium.

In a Soviet America the prob-

How Cal. Would Be Under Socialism

By N. D.

There is one particular section of the Soviet Union which in climate, scenery and products is a twin of California.

The writer was lucky enough to have been able to spend one solid month's vacation, with all expenses paid by his trade union, in one of the beautiful rest homes for workers on the Black Sea Coast of the Soviet Caucasus.

An American in the Caucasus couldn't but help thinking, constantly, how California would really come into its own under a Socialist America.

A glimpse at America under Socialism can be found in Earl Browder's book, "What is Communism?"

But now, as the workers and farmers of the Soviet Union celebrate the 19th birthday of their Socialist republic, their freedom from the chains of the capitalist system of exploitation, it would be timely to give ourselves a glimpse at California under Socialism.

The workers and farmers own and operate, under the management of workers of hand and brain, all the banks, railroads, water and air transport, mines, and all the major industries.

In California that would mean an end to slavery, miserable wages, and vigilante terror in the agricultural industry, for one thing.

In agriculture, big multi-million dollar interests, possessing seemingly endless acres of ranch land, relying for their huge profits on wages of 20 cents an hour and below, wretched housing conditions, plus vigilante and police terror, would become a thing of the past.

Management of the big ranch lands and canneries would be in the hands of the government, which being a workers' and farmers' government, would manage, not for the profits of a few, but for the interests of all.

The very agricultural workers who are now the victims of vigilante and police terror when they organize and fight for a little better degree of happiness, would become managers and leading personnel in the big ranches and canneries. There would be schools to train them in this.

Agricultural Products for All
There would never again be such a spectacle as was seen in the years after the crisis began, of hundreds of thousands of tons of oranges and other fruits being dumped into the sea, or left to rot.

The abundant and healthful fruits and vegetables grown in California would be available to all.

Use of police and vigilantes against workers would be a loathsome memory.
Wages in the agricultural industry would be wages to insure not only comfortable living, which they are far from doing at present, but sufficient to make life enjoyable through enabling the workers to afford the fullest amount of entertainment and cultural life.

Gone would be the shacks and hovels and tents which so many scores of thousands of agricultural workers now call home.
Housing for the agricultural workers would be the most modern; in addition, to the agricultural villages would be brought the cultural and entertainment attractions of city: theaters, up to date schools, radio stations, libraries, etc.

On is another of California's vital industries.
The Oil Industry Capitalism is making a shambles of the oil-producing regions. In its greed for profits and more profits, it drains the fields, carelessly and wastefully, with no heed for future generations.

Planned production in the oil industry would conserve this and other natural resources

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**Celebrate November 7th—
Join the Communist Party!**

NOVEMBER 7th is a day of celebration for the American working class. The Western Worker urges all readers and their friends to turn out to the celebration rallies to celebrate:

THE NINETEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LASTING VICTORY OF THE RUSSIAN WORKERS OVER THE FORCES OF REACTION, FOR SOCIALIST CONSTRUCTION WHICH HAS BROUGHT SECURITY FOR THEM AND HAS INSPIRED THE PROGRESSIVE FORCES IN THE REST OF THE WORLD—

THE REBUKE TO HEARST AND LANDON DELIVERED BY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AT THE POLLS LAST TUESDAY AND THE SIGNIFICANT COMMUNIST VOTE WHICH REFLECTS THE GROWING SENTIMENT AMONG THE AMERICAN PEOPLE FOR A FARMER-LABOR PARTY, WHICH ALONE CAN DEFEAT FASCISM.

**CELEBRATE NOVEMBER 7TH AND VOICE YOUR DETERMINATION—
THAT THE SHIP OWNERS AND THEIR AGENTS SHALL NEVER SMASH THE SPLENDID MARITIME UNIONS AND DEPRIVE THE WATERFRONT WORKERS OF A DECENT, AMERICAN STANDARD OF LIVING—**

**THAT VIGILANTISM SHALL BE STAMPED OUT OF CALIFORNIA BY THE ORGANIZED LABOR MOVEMENT WORKING WITH OTHER PROGRESSIVE ORGANIZATIONS—
THAT THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA WILL UNITE IN INDEPENDENT POLITICAL ACTION TO DEFEAT, DEFEND THE DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE AGAINST THE TORY ATTACKS OF THE FLESHHACKERS, CROCKERS, CHANDLERS AND GIANNINS!**

CELEBRATE NOVEMBER 7TH AND MAKE THAT CELEBRATION THE TURNING POINT OF YOUR LIFE—BY JOINING THE COMMUNIST PARTY!

Hearst Gets His Face Slapped

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST has had his face slapped by the collective hand of the American people. The defeat of Landon and Knox, in the words of Earl Browder, is "a defeat for the worst reactionaries, but not a decisive victory for the progressives."

The re-election of President Roosevelt is accompanied by a unique and significant development: the existence and maintenance of "Labor's Non-Partisan League" as an independent political weapon of trade unionists, to exert pressure of President Roosevelt to live up to some of the progressive planks of his platform and to try to check his surrenders to the reactionaries.

This was the avowed purpose enunciated by leaders of the C.I.O. unions at the first convention of the Labor's Non-Partisan Leagues, held several weeks ago. This, and the announcement that a definite realignment of forces would develop nationally.

Already this realignment has partly taken place in New York, with the formation of the American Labor Party. The trade union committee headed by Gorman is energetically pushing the formation of local and state labor parties throughout the country. These labor leaders realize that if reaction and Fascism are to be defeated, reliance cannot be placed on either of the two major political parties, but an independent party of the working class must be built.

The defeat of the reactionary Hearst-Liberty League ticket must not lead to a lessening of the struggle to build the Farmer-Labor Party. The people must not be lulled to sleep by the rebuke to reaction delivered at the polls Tuesday—but must redouble their efforts to unite the trade unions and other progressive organizations into an independent party of labor which alone can defeat Fascism and safeguard the liberties and standard of living of the masses.

Although the returns are not all in yet, it

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can be seen already that the Communist vote this year is significantly greater than the 1932 vote, with a corresponding decrease in the vote of the Socialist Party. This reflects both the unrealistic approach made by the Socialist Party to the issues of the election campaign, and the correct Communist analysis of the main issue: democracy versus Fascism. This reflects, too, the growing sentiment for a Farmer-Labor Party, the building of which was the chief aim of the Communist campaign.

Stop Fascist Blockade of Spain's Ports!

THE ARROGANCE of the Fascist countries knows no bounds.

Germany and Italy both brazenly violated the non-intervention pact; they supplied arms, munitions, planes, tanks and troops to the Fascist hordes of General Franco.

Now, exposed by the Soviet Union, Hitler and Mussolini have the gall to send fleets of warships to the Mediterranean and threaten to block the entry of Soviet ships carrying medical supplies and clothing for the Spanish defenders of democracy!

This Fascist arrogance must be stopped. Action by trade unions and other liberty-loving, anti-Fascist organizations throughout the world will strike a decisive blow in favor of democracy, for the defeat of the murderous hordes of General Franco!

American working class organizations should pass resolutions addressed to the German and Italian embassies, demanding the withdrawal of their ships from Spain's Mediterranean ports!

Resolutions should be passed and addressed to President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Cordell Hull, demanding that this government resume normal, friendly relations with the legally constituted democratic Spanish government!

Immediate and decisive action is needed to safeguard democracy in Spain, to prevent the spread of Franco's barbarian armies, to check the advance of Fascism throughout the world!

**Un-American League Calls
For Vigilante Action**

THE American League Against Communism, a Tory organization in San Francisco which sends out periodical bulletins attacking the Communist Party, bulletins which are concocted out of slander, misinterpretations and outright lies, is taking the lead in whipping up a red scare in connection with the maritime strike.

In a bulletin just issued, they call for the formation of a "citizens' advisory committee" to function "in connection with both the long term program against all enemies of this country and also in the strike emergency."

In another bulletin this anti-American league calls for the formation of a "united front" to drive men like Harry Bridges "and their allies from every activity in American life."

This frenzied call for vigilante action against the Communists and militant leaders of the maritime unions fits in nicely with the recent declaration by Mayor Rossi that "a state of emergency" exists in San Francisco. The connection between the two would not be hard to find. The league bulletin and the Mayor's decree both serve the same interests—that of the shipowners.

Who furnishes this "League of the Tories of 1936" the large amount of money necessary to flood the city with un-American, anti-Communist, anti-working class propaganda every week? These bulletins do not ask for funds from its readers. Obviously, funds are obtained from those whose interests it serves—the shipowners, Industrial Association, the Hearst press!

The "American" League Against Communism should be widely exposed for what it is—an instrument of the shipowners and other anti-labor open shop instruments with which they try to incite violence against the organized labor movement.

THE BULWARK OF PEACE

READY FOR DEFENSE OF WORKERS - FARMERS GOVT.



A Talk With a Negro Sympathizer - A Reply

"John Madison" is a self-educated Negro worker of fifty.

Class-conscious, honest. He worked as a field hand in his youth, went to France when the war started, and later wrote a book on his experiences as a black soldier which no publisher has so far accepted. Madison is at present interested in our party and has been reading a great deal of our literature. The following is a brief report of a conversation he and I had the other day.

"Then you agree, John, that the Communist Party is the only friend and champion of the Negro people have?" I said to him.

"Yes, but I am far from satisfied with the stand your party has taken on the Negro question."

"On what grounds do you base your criticism, John?" I asked.

On Self-Determination

"On my knowledge of the Negro people and what they sincerely desire of their white comrades I have read your plan

on self-determination for the Negro and the establishment of an autonomous state for the Negro people should they desire one.

The Negro problem in America is unlike any other situation in the world. The various autonomous states in the Soviet Union are composed of peoples fiercely proud of their customs, traditions, history and language. The American Negro has no culture, traditions, customs, and religion other than that of all the people of this country. Ever since the first slave has been imported, the American Negro has been taught to worship the American God, to love his country, to subscribe to all the American ideals. He feels bound and one with the American people.

The Negro in the depths of his heart does not want autonomy, he wants to be accepted by his fellow workers as one of them.

It is the secret hope of every Negro to be white. His ideal is the white American worker.

"Such being the case, the suggestion of self-determination, of a Negro autonomy in this country to the Negro bears the implication of vestiges of dis-

crimination. Why should there be any reason for self determination on his part any more than for his fellow white worker? The Negro is suspicious of the idea of an autonomous state for his people. That too still smells of segregation to him.

"It is, for this reason that the Negro masses are still holding back from your party. Until the time comes when the words Negro or black worker, or even the finer gradation of color differentiation implied in the word colored, are struck out of the vocabulary and thoughts of white workers, the Communist Party will not have the mass support of the Negro workers of this country.

Until that time comes class distinction in this country will not be abolished even under the dictatorship of the proletariat."

(Report submitted by J. Morgan, Unit A-6 of downtown section.)

John Madison is only one of many Negro people who are as yet unclear as to the Communist position on the Negro question and the problems involved. John Madison's sincerity and general class consciousness will be of great assistance to him in helping him to understand the question itself and the position of the C.P. in the struggle for national liberation of the Negro people.

The Negro people are a nation, having all the characteristics of a nation, and are suppressed by the white ruling class not primarily because of the color of their skin (although this too is used by the white ruling class), but mainly because of being an oppressed nation, forced to slave for the plantations in the South (being robbed of the soil they till and toil on); forced to work under wretched conditions, lowest wages, segregation, discrimination, in the North.

Negroes as a Nation

In the first place: Is it true that the Negroes have no "culture and traditions of their own"; that the Negroes are not a nation?

Just the opposite is the fact. The Negroes do have their own culture: literature, music, art, etc. Of course this culture is not well developed—American imperialism keeps the Negroes in great suppression and under these circumstances the Negro

people are surely not able to develop their culture to the extent they would be able to do if they were a free people. Traditions, too, the Negroes have.

The Negroes are not proud of being "Negroes," says John Madison, as are "other suppressed minority nations." Supposing this is true; is it not because of the insults, knocks, suppression, leveled against them by the white ruling class?

American imperialism has done all in its power to get the Negro people to consider themselves "Americans," but undesirable Americans. "American" underdogs.

It is certainly a fact, however, that if the Negro people do not consider themselves a nation, it is simply as a result of having been oppressed for such a long time, having been knocked around so many times that they can feel only either desperation and fear of the white ruling class (a part of the Negro people feel that way), or a rise of fighting spirit (which is taking place among great sections of the Negro population) against white imperialist suppression.

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Self-determination for the Negroes in the Black Belt would not be segregated. The Negroes would not be forced to live in the Black Belt only. On the contrary they could go as free people wherever they wanted, and live wherever they chose. But in the Black Belt, where the Negro population is in the majority, the Negro people would have the right to rule themselves.

(Cont. on P. 6, Col. 7)

AS WE SEE IT

By BILL SCHNEIDERMAN,
California State Secretary, Communist Party, U.S.A.

The Soviet Peace Policy

ON NOVEMBER 7th, the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics begins its 20th year. This anniversary is an occasion for reviewing the many achievements accomplished under working-class rule and the leadership of the Communist Party. Not the least of these achievements, world-wide in importance, is the foreign policy of the Soviet Government, directed toward the maintenance of peace throughout the whole world as well as the protection of its own borders from invasion.

One of the first acts of the Soviet Republic in November, 1917, when the working-class under Bolshevik leadership took power, was to demand an ending of the great war, on the basis of no annexations or reparations, no unequal treaties, and observing the rights and independence of all peoples. It proceeded to publish the secret treaties of the capitalist powers with Czarist Russia that were forerunners to the World War, and immediately sued for peace. That was the beginning of a new type of foreign policy.

The most striking example of the peaceful purpose of the Soviet foreign policy, can be seen in a significant phrase from the new Soviet constitution, which DOES NOT GIVE ANY ORGAN OF THE STATE THE RIGHT TO DECLARE WAR, and only makes provision for the Presidium of the Supreme Council of the U.S.S.R. to proclaim a state of war in the event of armed attack on the U.S.S.R. (Article 49.) This is of especial importance at a time when Fascist aggressors on every hand are following an adventurist war policy which threatens to involve all Europe and the whole world. It also answers most effectively the charges about "Red imperialism," or that the Red Army is a threat of war.

Because the policy of Fascist powers threatened not only the Soviet Union, but also democratic countries like France, Great Britain, and Czechoslovakia in Europe, Soviet policy turned all its efforts toward lining up all the powers that were anxious to maintain peace, for the principle of collective security against an aggressor nation, as the most powerful weapon to prevent Hitler or Mussolini from making war. As long as the Fascists feel they can get away with an attack on a single nation with impunity, just so long will they continue their attacks on weak and defenseless countries. The only thing that could prevent or postpone it would be the adoption of the plan offered by the Soviet Foreign Commissar, Maxim Litvinov, for collective security and effective sanctions against an aggressor. This is the objective of the Franco-Soviet Mutual Assistance Pact, and the similar pact between the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia. These pacts are not military alliances of one bloc of powers against another, such as the pre-1914 blocs, or the present bloc of Germany, Italy, and Japan. The Soviet Union has emphasized that these pacts are open to all powers, including Germany; since it provides for mutual assistance of all signatory powers against any nation that attacks one of the signers of the pact, the only reason that Hitler can refuse to sign is because he wants war, not peace.

France was forced to sign the pact, not only because its government feared an attack by Fascist Germany, but because the masses in France, wanting peace, desired a firm alliance with the Soviet Union as the greatest force for peace and against Fascism. But there are Fascist forces in France that oppose this policy and working with Hitler to break up the Franco-Soviet pact. The weak-kneed policy of the French government, including the present Blum government, has helped the foes of Hitler and Mussolini and which if continued will turn the war-dogs loose in Europe.

In Britain also, while the masses want peace and collaboration with the Soviet Union against the Fascist powers, the Tory government has followed a policy which has helped Hitler and Mussolini and which if continued will turn the war-dogs loose in Europe.

It is the fact that the French and British governments gave mainly lip-service to the principle of collective security, that it was possible for Mussolini to carry out his arrogant policy of conquering Ethiopia, without fear of results. The Soviet Union alone could not stop it, without bringing about war; the League of Nations could have stopped the conquest, through effective sanctions against Italy, had not France and Great Britain sabotaged the Soviet Union's efforts. To this day, the only voice that was raised against this conquest, and for Ethiopia's independence, was Litvinov's. The isolationist, hands-off policy of the United States played into the hands of Mussolini, as did Roosevelt's "neutrality" policy which in practice placed an embargo on Ethiopia but did not prevent Italy from getting war materials in America. The failure of the League of Nations to prevent the conquest of Ethiopia has tremendously endangered the cause of peace, as it has made more confident the Fascists who have designs on other nations.

The Soviet Union and Spain

There is no doubt in anyone's mind that the Fascist uprising in Spain was inspired, organized, and financed in Berlin, Rome, and Lisbon. After Ethiopia and Manchuria, the Fascists are becoming more and more brazen in their open drive for war and conquest. The Spanish Fascists could not have lasted a month, if it were not for money, planes, artillery, tanks, and trained personnel furnished by Hitler and Mussolini, and sent mainly through Portugal. When France proposed a non-intervention pact with regard to Spain, the Soviet Union agreed to it on condition that the three Fascist powers sign it and be bound by it, in order to cut off the Spanish Fascists from its source of supplies. But soon after nine powers signed the pact, it became obvious that while the other powers were living up to it, Germany, Italy, and Portugal were openly violating it. This amounted to a virtual boycott and blockade of the legal Spanish government, contrary to all international law, while the Spanish Fascists were getting the upper hand through plentiful war supplies of every kind.

The French and British Communist Parties carried on a powerful mass campaign for "Arms to Spain," but the British and French governments refused to budge. The Socialist Premier Blum maintained an ostrich-like policy, while it was clear to the French masses that Fascism was threatening their southern doorstep due to the failure of France to exercise its right to furnish supplies to the Spanish government. While Blum was doing this in the name of peace, war is being brought that much closer in Europe by the danger of a Fascist victory.

When it became clear that Blum would not act, the Soviet government did. Although the Soviet masses had raised millions of dollars to send money and food and medicine to the Spanish People's Front, the Soviet government had scrupulously observed the non-intervention pact. But when the pact became a joke (although a serious one), because the Fascist powers did not pay the slightest attention to it, the Soviet government openly charged them with its violation, and declared that it could not consider itself bound by the non-intervention pact. To this day, France and Britain have adopted a policy which is only helping the Fascists, to the great indignation of the aroused French and British people. But the stand of the Soviet Union has clearly placed the issues before the world. Its peace policy is still the most powerful bulwark for peace and against Fascism.

Women on the March

BY MARY GARFIELD

DULL IN YOUR BELTS, throw out your chests, we're marching. We're in search of the truth. We're proud of the company we're in, too. We've got an army of Roman Catholic women in our ranks, who are asking the same questions that we are asking and want answered.

What is it, we want to know? Why is it we are all aroused? It's because we are all friends, very close to each other, and we don't want any trouble between us.

We want to know why, directly after the Feast of Christ the King, where a great prayer for peace was offered, the Monitor, official organ of the Archdiocese of San Francisco, tries on its front page to set man against man and start a fight.

By the strength and authority of its voice it helps Fascism which is rearing its head so plainly in this country today!

It says: "It seems to us that a broadcasting station should not allow any speech to be broadcast, that it is not willing to release to the press."

It further says, that they phoned KGO and were told that it would be impossible to get a copy of the speech without the permission of the Communist Party. Of course this is not what they were told. They were in all probability told to apply to the Communist Party for a copy.

It is quite obvious that they were not overly anxious to have the exact text of the broadcast before them, or they would have sent in a written request to Communist headquarters.

The Communist Party is a working class party, and knows not pomp nor ceremony. We have neither switchboard girl nor switchboard. A telephone message might go astray, but a written request for a copy of the broadcast would be received with joy.

We would have rejoiced at the knowledge that one more soul that had walked in darkness had seen the light.

The particular broadcast that has come in for such a vicious attack was given by a man whom the Church, if it were consulted, would call a "Christian Gentleman," for he neither drinks, swears nor smokes, and treats women with courtesy and respect. He also speaks the truth!

We laugh through our tears at the suggestion that we are unwilling to release copy to the press.

NOW THAT WE KNOW that you of the Monitor have a copy of the broadcast in your hands, may we ask you to publish it in your paper?

Taking you at your printed word, we shall see from now on that you always get a copy of our press release, for we have added you to our list.

You shall always have a copy of our broadcasts, too. It will be our pleasure to see to it being printed.

Mary, the "unafraid," the mother of Jesus, proclaimed herself militant when she cried out, exultantly: "He hath brought down the mighty from their seats, and exalted the meek." Having the desire and purpose within her own heart to better the condition of the class to which she belonged, she exulted in the fact of a male child through whom she could work. It was the only way she could work in her day and time.

Today we women stand fearless and strong in our own might, and we call to all women in the whole world, regardless of creed or color, to join our ranks in the fight for truth, justice and freedom.

HOLLYWOOD RESUME: Equity and Screen Guild Cooperate

By JOHN R. CHAPLIN

HOLLYWOOD—Actors Equity, carrying out its threat to suspend all members who did not join the affiliated Screen Actors Guild, has suspended 23 actors. Included among those who can appear on no stage in America are Lionel Barrymore, Rosalind Russell, Alice Brady, Jack Oakie, Nat Pendleton, Ian Keith, Lucien Littlefield, Eric Linden, Dorothy Lee and 14 others. Among the new members added to the Screen Actors Guild (some of whom joined to avoid the Equity ban) are John Barrymore, Barbara Stanwyck, Erik Rhodes, J. Farrell McDonald, Arthur Hoyt, Muriel Evans, Maty Fain, George Rosener and Rockliffe Fellows.

H. R. Knickerbocker's news stories from Toledo, Spain, and the Hearstian's services, have been acquired by 20th Century-Fox for use on the film, *Siege of the Alcazar*. You can imagine what the picture will be like!

Louis B. Mayer is on the loose again. Last year he said he would join the Communists if he could feel convinced their way would bring happiness and prosperity. Now he warns Hollywood's "reds" that he knows them all, and that even if they are getting \$2,500 a week, they will have to return to Moscow, where they belong. Boasting strange knowledge, Mayer says he knows they are financed and supported by the Third International. Come, come, L.B., do you really think that radicals earn \$2,500 a week need support from the Comintern?

John Dos Passos is reported to be working in the east on the script of a movie to be made by famed Dutch director Joris Ivens. The combination is one that might turn out the greatest film ever made. There is no better director in the world, nor any better story teller in America. Carl Dreher, one of Hollywood's best sound technicians, is going east to make a thorough investigation of television possibilities. His report will be published by the research council of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, only useful branch of this company union. The academy, incidentally, has opened a "registry" service for copyrighting film stories. But after the way the academy "misplaced" highly important documents in Jimmy Cagney's suit against Warner Brothers, writers are not going for

this new service, which would put copyright into the hands of the producers' stooges.

The Soviet film "Gypsies" was being called the best to come from the U.S.S.R. in a long time, on its appearance at the Grand International in Los Angeles. . . . Fascist Italy has given its prize for the best movie script of the year to mystic playwright Luigi Pirandello. . . . Government control of movie houses in Catalonia is working out with American companies making pretty near as much as when they exhibited independently. In case of a loyalist victory, same plan will be applied all over Spain. . . . Tess Slesinger's short story, "The Times Unsettled Are," will be made into a picture by Paramount, Robert Florey directing. The latter, however, will first mega-phone "Happiness Preferred," the lynching picture.

Hearst press is so scared of unions since the guild pulled off those successful strikes, that the Examiner and Herald-Express (Hearst sheets in Los Angeles) refused all publicity to the Flashlighters' Frolic, a benefit sponsored by a newspaper photographers' protective organization which is in no way a union.

FILMS AT A GLANCE
BIG BROADCAST OF 1937: Cast from Leopold Stokowski, Philadelphia Symphony leader, to Gracie Allen makes a surprisingly good musical.

DANIEL BOONE: Gets by as a Western. As history, it doesn't stand a chance.

THE BIG GAME: Hollywood gets hold of a first-rate writer (Irwin Shaw of the anti-war play, *Bury the Dead*) and hides his light under a bushel of nonsense about college football regular fall routine.

FOLLOW YOUR HEART: Kind of plot that sits down and rests while the cast sings. Marion Talley's screen debut not a great success.

MAGNIFICENT BRUTE: If you think steel mills are "lovely," and that the men simply "adore" their work and are treated like cute though naughty children by the foreman, then you'll be crazy about Victor MacLaglen in this film. But if this sounds like hokum, you'll find the picture pretty much soft soap for U. S. Steel.

THE PRESIDENT'S MISTERY: A drama of a corpora-

Only Nazi Authors Allowed the Germans By 'Loving Force'

Side by side with announcements of new liberties as life in the Soviet Union becomes more prosperous, come announcements from Berlin of an entirely different nature.

Hans Johst, president of the Hitler's Reich Chamber of Literature, announced on Oct. 25th that force will be used to compel Germans to read only books by National Socialist authors.

Mr. Johst calls it "loving force." He is "forcing" the German people to read what they don't want because he "loves" them.

"In the future," announced Johst at a celebration of "Book Week" at Weimar, "I will eliminate the lukewarm among the bookdealers and I will not tolerate a dictatorship of the buying public. The buying public is our people and our people want to be and shall be convinced and led; that is the essential principle of our age. . . . Our state needs a revelation of spirit. Resistance will be broken with dynamite."

More Democracy For Federal Actors Pledged

LOS ANGELES.—At a Mayan Theater mass meeting of rank and file actors and actresses of the Los Angeles County Federal Theater Project, promises were made to insure a more democratic set-up administration.

This meeting was called by J. Howard Miller, director of the western states area for the national theater project, to offset the feeling between officials and players, and to quiet charges of dictatorship and favoritism being led at the heads.

Miller assured actors that they will be represented hereafter in production management. Where formerly casting has been done by the casting director, Ann Kingsley, a committee of three will handle it. The committee will be headed by Ann Kingsley but will have on it the director of the production to be cast and a member of the newly organized production committee in which actors are represented.

Pity Shipowners! Horses Have Valets But Seamen Don't

Lurline Matson Roth was the only child, daughter of Captain Matson of the Matson Navigation Company. When Captain Matson died Lurline inherited all his wealth and married Wm. Roth, now president of the Matson Navigation Company.

Lurline Matson Roth likes race horses in whose veins flow the blue blood of Kentucky. She travels all over America exhibiting these horses (50 of them) in private cars.

At Woodside, near Redwood City is a beautiful palace with cork floors for Lurline's aristocratic horses. The horses have their valets and live the life of Riley. Not a single seaman in the employ of Matson Navigation Company, not a single stevedore, oiler, water-tender, marine cook, or any other maritime worker can ever hope to have the life of clover enjoyed by Lurline's horses. And yet who pays for the horses?

While Barbara Hutton has her Greeks, Lurline Roth has her horses. And you, Maritime workers, have an arbitration board! In a San Francisco drawing room recently Lurline's sister was heard to remark, "It takes all that the Matson Line can make to keep Lurline merely in her race horses."

Harry Bridges is a fiend in human form. The longshoremen are driving the shipping companies to the wall. The New Deal was originated in Moscow.

Well, stevedore, seaman, and maritime worker? It looks like the title of this true story should have been, "A Horse on YOU."

tion lawyer who turns away from lobbying and starts to build a cooperative factory in a small town. Big business will stop at nothing, not even company spies.

THE GAY DESPERADO: Neither desperate nor particularly gay. Nino Martini hits high C in his best Metropolitan manner. Leo Carrillo steals what show there is to steal.

RAMONA: Technicolor doesn't help this grief-stricken remake of the famous silent picture after the novel.

THEY MET IN A TAXI: Two taxi drivers with a mystery woman on their hands. Chester Morris, Fay Wray, Lionel Stander. Several funny scenes.

THEY LEAD DEFENSE OF U.S.S.R.



IN THIS, the 15th anniversary Soviet people reaffirm their determination to fight for peace, but also to defend every inch of Soviet soil from any Fascists who dare invade. Photo shows Marshal Budenny, Red cavalry in-spector (left), and Marshal Yegorov, chief of general staff of Red Army.

INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE: A SNARE Workers Buy 800 Millions Annually

By PHILIP GARDNER

(National Field Organizer, International Workers' Order)

Since this is an article on industrial insurance, and since workers are buying it in large quantities, I should begin by telling you what industrial insurance is. But I'm afraid you'll have to read it through.

If you want to know why I can't tell you offhand, try to figure out what the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. means by this introduction to its industrial policy:

"In consideration of the payment of the premium stated in the schedule on page 4 hereon, on or before each Monday, do hereby agree subject to the conditions below and on page 2 hereof, each of which is hereby..."

Clear as mud.

'Five and Dime'

The industrial insurance policy is otherwise known as "five and dime," or "burial" insurance. In one year the American workers buy 800 million dollars into it.

The salesmen talk to them about the real problem of insecurity in the event of death of the family breadwinner. The industrial insurance police seems to answer this problem. It is made easy to buy, no physical examination and a weekly payment plan of 5, 10 or 25c as the policy is.

Nevertheless, it is a snare. The real test of insurance is how much of it is received back in insurance. In 1934, of every \$1000 in industrial insurance taken off the books, only 3 percent went to pay death benefits.

Allowed to Lapse

Nineteen out of every twenty industrial policies lapse before maturity. The "easy installments" seem to be attractive, but the actual cost is eight times higher than that of ordinary insurance.

Workers are tricked by the ease with which they can take out industrial insurance. The lack of examination is one of the tricks of the snare. It doesn't mean what it seems to mean, for after death if the insurance company can prove the worker ever had a serious ailment, the policy is null and void.

Of course the worker may have continued to pay for years in ignorance, supposing he was insured. The family can take the matter to court and fight a million-dollar corporation; usually it can't afford to.

Doesn't Really Mean It

Another joker. There is an "incontestability" clause, which says: "After this policy shall have been in force, during the life-time of the insured, for one

America was shocked a few months ago by the revelations of secret fascist-terrorists that came out of the Detroit Black Legion investigation. Labor terrorism, union-smashing, political corruption and murder were revealed as the aims and tactics of the gang of hooded hoodlums that terrorized decent citizens and threatened the principles of American democracy. Popular pressure brought the law into the case and a number of the leaders were tried and convicted of murder. But the Black Legion still goes on, with its threat to labor and to liberty.

These startling revelations have been made the basis of the film "Legion of Terror" which opens on the Orpheum in San Francisco Thursday (Nov. 5). While the film avoids many of the anti-labor implications of the hooded legion, it shows daringly its clutch upon the press and the political life of the communities in which it operates. And it reveals its hate-stirring, prejudice-playing tactics of terrorism most unimpressive.

Bruce Cabot, who played the mob leader in "Fury" is seen in the role of the young postal inspector who is placed on the mob's trail after a bomb has been sent through the mails. Marguerite Churchill is seen as a girl whose brother loses his job in a factory because he will not join the hooded legion and later is murdered when he starts a movement against the organization.

The film, unusual for a Hollywood product, is the most socially significant work the screen has presented since "Fury."

—W.W.R.

He chafes and rages and frothes at the mouth: The Democrat's sweeping the Solid South—

The Communists gain in a hot campaign—

The Fascists sweep back again in Spain—

His P.I. mutts as a broken flute,

And cops aid the pickets, by gosh, to boot!

And Landon to lose by a drought.

So shed a tear for Willie R. Hearst.

An onion will aid you, at the worst.

O weep for Marion—she's in a flutter—

The Reds want to take her bread and butter!

Republicans huddle in terrified pow-wows;

America's gone to the Bolshevik bow-wows;

This nation's a country accursed!

He Came; He Saw And Was Conquered Approves Soviets

CHICAGO.—He came to Russia, he saw, and was conquered.

That is the frank confession of Victor Yarros, former editorial writer for the Chicago Daily News and author of a book denouncing the Bolshevik regime in Russia. He went with Dr. Rachel Yarros, his wife, to the Soviet Union last summer and he was, he told the Chicago City Club, Oct. 28, "impressed and thrilled," though he still has reservations and confusion.

With his approval The City Club Bulletin reported his talk in the following words:

"Every door was opened to him and he talked freely with people in all walks of life, from hotel chambermaids and chauffeurs to high officials of the state. He said he was impressed first by the fact there is no unemployment in Russia. When a boy or girl finishes his education a job is waiting for him; he does not wait for the job."

Jobs Ready

With his approval The City Club Bulletin reported his talk in the following words:

"It is only possible, in this short space, to touch very briefly on these matters, which really deserve extensive explanation. What I am trying above all to do is to show concisely WHAT the writer's problems consist of and how the public shares them.

Let's list those problems numerically.

(1) How to live, pay rent and eat while accomplishing a job when published.

(2) How to establish some fair and sensible means of judging the merits of manuscripts.

(3) How to develop new and larger publication facilities which will be free from the domination of advertisers and will admit of reasonable democratic control by both the writers and their public.

Those are the real problems of the writer. Other problems, such as style and the technique of writing, the merits of literary criticism, etc., must necessarily take a second place. They are important, in their own way, but remain rather futile unless the fundamental, practical problems are solved first.

PERHAPS some of my readers would prefer to have me say that the thing of greatest importance to the modern writer is to prevent Fascism. Akay! That is true enough. I didn't go into the political aspects of the writer's problems for the reason that I believe it is first necessary to see the thing in its simplest and most fundamental light. Any careful consideration of the three points set forth above must necessarily take into consideration the political issues of the day. When a writer sets out to fight Fascism, it must be on the basis of those three points.

Asked about the Kamenov-Zinoviev murder-conspiracy trials Mr. Yarros said that "according to Russian standards it was absolutely fair

Soviet Peace Policy

The Soviet Union as a factor for the defense of peace throughout the world, is shown in the following excerpts from "The Plan of Construction and Peace," by V.M. Molotov, chairman of the Council of People's Commissars, U.S.S.R.

"During the past year the relations between the Soviet Union and other countries have on the whole developed normally. In the majority of cases our relations with foreign states developed in a direction favorable to the cause of peace. At any rate, everything that depended on the Soviet government was done to strengthen the cause of universal peace and, primarily, to strengthen peace in Europe and Asia."

Nazi War-Instigators

"Everybody knows that German Fascism is not merely confining itself to elaborating plans of conquest, but is preparing to act in the immediate future. The German Fascists have in the sight of all turned the country which has fallen into their hands into a military camp, which, owing to its position in the very center of Europe, constitutes a menace not only to the Soviet Union."

"All this constitutes a growing menace to the peace of Europe, and not of Europe alone..."

"A report recently appeared of the conclusion of a military agreement between Japan and Germany and of Poland's connection with this matter... It is not for nothing that both Japan and Germany left the League of Nations in good time, in order to leave their hands free, and, with good reason, are regarded by the whole world as the powers with the most aggressive foreign policy."

Soviet Policy

"The Soviet Union alone has taken up a definite position of principle with regard to the Italo-Ethiopia war, a position hostile to imperialism, a position hostile to a policy of colonial conquest of any kind. The Soviet Union alone declared that it bases itself on the principle of the equality and independence of Ethiopia which, in addition, is a member of the League of Nations, and that it cannot support any action of the League of Nations or of individual capitalist states which aims at violating this independence and equality. This policy of the Soviet Union, which distinguishes it in principle from the other members of the League of Nations, is one of exclusive international significance and one which will yet yield valuable fruit..."

"The toilers of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics are now working harmoniously to build a new life and are really advancing towards a happy life."

"And yet there are imperialist gentlemen who dream of robbing the peoples of the Soviet Union of their freedom and of saddling us with foreign landlords and capitalists. To this we reply: 'Dear sirs, open your eyes, you were born too late!'"

Elaborate Program Ready for I.W.O. Annual Ball

SAN FRANCISCO.—An elaborate program has been arranged for the annual ball of the International Workers Order Saturday, November 14, at Trianon Ball Rm., 1268 Sutter St.

Vivian Wall, acclaimed by critics as a foremost exponent of the modern dance will perform three numbers. Wallace and Elendri, dance team, and the Carol Beale Dancers, will present some of their more popular numbers. George Sabbath and his 10 piece orchestra, aided by Ruth Anne Sherman, vocalist, will play the dance music. Tickets are obtainable at the I.W.O. office at 830 Market St., Rm. 515

Threaten to Use Hawaii National Guard in Strike

HONOLULU.—The Hawaii National Guard and the American Legion will be rushed into action against the waterfront workers "if violence should break out," according to Police Chief Gabrielson. The Police Chief stated he has a large supply of tear gas on hand. The strikers have maintained strict peacefulness on the island.

CHESTER LABOR FOR C.I.O. CHESTER, Pa.—The Delaware County Central Labor Union endorsed the Committee for Industrial Organization, and also adopted a resolution condemning the A.F.L. Executive Council for suspending the C.I.O. unions.

ARMENIANS WITH A SOVIET GOVT.—STARVE NO MORE



UNDER CAPITALISM, minority peoples—like the Negroes in America—are oppressed—victims of especially low wages, of lynch law, and deprived of most elementary rights. Under Soviet rule, minority peoples prosper. Photo shows happy, healthy school children in Erevan, capital of Soviet Armenia. "Starving Armenians," the world once called them, when the czar ruled over them. They don't starve any more. They have their own Soviet republic, their own schools, newspapers, their own theaters, etc.

Figures Prove Soviet Triumphs

Spain Will Beat Fascists, Says Ambassador

WASHINGTON.—Forces of democracy will be victorious over the Fascists of Spain. Fernando De Los Rios, Spanish ambassador to the United States, predicted here in a speech before the National Press Club.

The ambassador based his prediction on "a realistic reason, because I know the love of liberty is profoundly rooted in the heart of Spain and, secondly, because I believe in justice and in the cause of humanism, I have a living faith in the victory and in the cause of my government."

3000 Dockers On Strike in England

MANCHESTER, England.—

Three thousand longshoremen employed on the Manchester Ship Canal went on strike against firing of 30 fellow workers.

The dispute arose when dockers unloading a plaster of paris cargo, refused to take more than 16 bags to a sling, instead of 20 bags as the employers wanted. Subsequently 30 men were fired, and their fellow workers struck work in sympathy.

The Stalin plant is undergoing its second reconstruction, which will transform it into one of the largest automobile plants in the world.

Responsible for the increased efficiency in production is the Stakhanov system, which has swept the Soviet Union, accomplishing modern miracles for the people of the U.S.S.R., raising wages and living standards at a rate unprecedented in world history.

At Liverpool between 300 and 400 longshoremen called a quick strike against the T. and J. Harrison steamship company at the Brunswick docks, but won their demands within a few hours.

More Funds For Spanish People

SAN FRANCISCO.—Additional funds to be forwarded to the heroic Spanish people fighting against Fascism, were reported by the State Executive Committee of the Communist Party.

Previously acknowledged funds of \$1050.18 were forwarded to the Labor's Red Cross for Spain funds headed by David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union. This fund of \$100,000 was achieved and closed.

To the newly organized North American Committee for Defense of Spanish Democracy, will go the following donations:

P. Melnikovich, \$10; Uriel, \$10, S.F.; A. Friend, \$5; P. Orr, \$2; Anna Porter, \$10; Harry, \$1; Friends of Bookshop, \$1; Friends of Bookshop, \$6; A. Friend, \$1; Hild Olson and McDeniells, \$5; Tulare, \$2.50; Dr. X., \$2.50; A. Friend, \$1; Finnish Women's Club, \$5; Total To Date—\$10,68.

The North American Committee forwards all donations to the Spanish government. All funds received by the Communist Party, 121 Height Street, San Francisco, will be forwarded to this committee.

PRINTER FRAME-UP VICTIM

WILKES-BARRE, Pa.—A union printer, E. P. Jennings, is the latest labor frame-up victim. He and Charles Harris were convicted of dynamiting a judge's car.

DU PONT AIDS JINGOISTS

NEW YORK—Lammott du Pont, of the munitions family, is a heavy backer of the latest red-baiting outfit: "Women Investors of America."

WHAT FASCISM HAS BROUGHT TO GERMANY

While USSR Thrives, Germans Starve Under Hitler

At the opposite pole from the free, happy and prosperous Soviet Union, stands Nazi Germany with its people ground under the merciless Fascist dictatorship, suffering hunger and privation and being forced by Hitler toward a new world war.

Recently Hitler announced a "new four-year plan" of the Nazi Party, after admitting that his first "four-year plan," proclaimed on February 2, 1933, was nothing but a "brief proclamation" in which he promised to make the German people happy if given a tenure of four years. There's No Unemployment in U.S. S. R.

What he has brought to the German people is increased unemployment, up to 4,500,000 without jobs—where he promised to end unemployment.

Nazism has meant less and poorer food for the people, rickets for the children, with milk like water, butter as rare as hen's teeth, and eggs so rare that the majority of the people can't afford to buy them.

The German statistical department admitted that the price index in August, 1936, was 9.5 per cent higher than in August, 1933—thus officially admitting that the living standard of the German worker, even ignoring the wage cuts, has been reduced by almost 10 per cent.

Germans Starve for Nazi War Program

The Nazi papers shout themselves hoarse in an attempt to convince the population of the necessity of eating less, particularly butter, eggs and meat.

The German workers pay, in lowered living standards, for the feverish armaments being carried on in the interests of big capital—this is shown in heavy wage cuts and in higher prices of food, clothing, shoes and other products and in taxation.

This is what Fascism means to the people under its heel—mass starvation, degradation and terror—all to the end of Hitler's program for a war of aggression and robbery, all to the end that the Krups, Thyssen and other German capitalists may retain

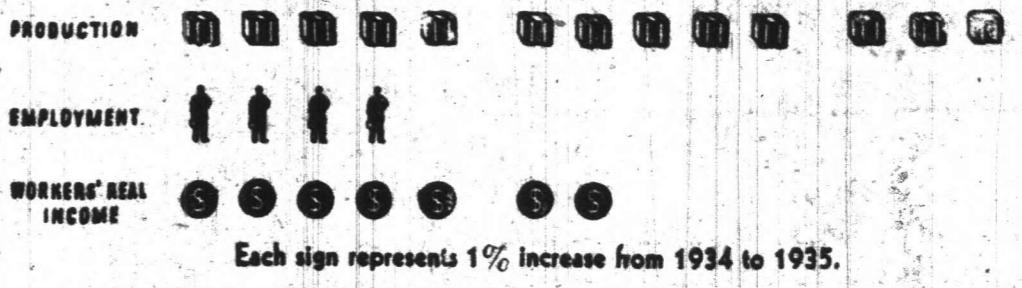
their huge profits wrung from the misery of the German people.

JAPAN BANKERS INVEST

TOKYO—Japanese financiers, bankers and big business men will invest 150,000,000 yen in Japan's war program of expansion, it was announced here.

A Western Worker reader is a fighter against Fascism—spread our workers' press. Order a regular bundle today—rates 2½ cents per copy, postage pre-paid, in bundles of 10 or more.

THE STORY UNDER CAPITALISM EMPLOYMENT LAGS BEHIND PRODUCTION



Each sign represents 1% increase from 1934 to 1935.

In manufacturing industries in 1935, production was above 1934 by 14 percent, employment by 4 percent, workers' total real income by 7 percent. (Federal Reserve Board figures.)

IT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF—production up much further than wages and employment—which means a cut in real wages for American workers. The Soviet people, celebrating the 19th anniversary of the November, 1917 revolution, also celebrate wage increases, total abolition of unemployment.

SOCIALISM FOR STEEL WORKERS

Big Contrast to Conditions in U.S.

PROSPEROUS LIFE IN U.S.S.R.

In America the steel workers live in company-owned towns and suffer low wages, and lower conditions, subject to thug terror and the spy system when they organize into trade unions for better conditions.

In the Soviet Union, 19 years of victorious Socialism have

brought the steel workers what the U.S. workers seek, and more to boot.

Demands recently put forward in America by company union employee representatives were:

\$5 a day minimum wages, \$1.24 a day wage increase, 40-hour week, vacations with pay. If they can raise their wages, they will get something, for the steel produced belongs to the Steel Trust, for its own profit and benefit. The faster the workers produce, the quicker they will be unemployed again.

But the Soviet worker knows his steel goes to build railroads, textile factories, etc., resulting in more for him to wear and easier travel, with automatic raising of wages and lowering of prices of the things he wants to buy. He

knows it is his steel, and there are no millionaires left to profit from what he makes. He knows unemployment has been banished forever in his country.

The German statistical department admitted that the price index in August, 1936, was 9.5 per cent higher than in August, 1933—thus officially admitting that the living standard of the German worker, even ignoring the wage cuts, has been reduced by almost 10 per cent.

He already has what American steel workers may have to strike to win. His wages went up to 1000 rubles a month (\$200), with the seven-hour day and five-day week, with a six-hour day, four-day week in the heavier, hotter trades in the steel mill.

The Soviet worker has two weeks to one month vacation yearly with pay, and his foundry paid, to a rest home, the seashore or the mountains. He has free medical care, free sick leave with pay, free hospitalization, no layoffs or unemployment, and a club house that is either a former palace of some prince or millionaire, or a new one still better.

The Soviet steel worker has his athletics, free education, the best theaters, free nurseries for his children.

Three years ago there was a big celebration when 20,000 tons of steel were made in one day.

Last October 9th, the Soviet steel mills turned out 50,000 tons, and this year's competition sets as its goal 60,000 tons.

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Fletcher Supports Republican; Defies L. B. Labor Council

COUNCIL VOTE IS OVERRIDDEN BY EX-MAYOR

Hand and Glove With Landon's Forces

By a Worker Correspondent
LONG BEACH — Editor Carl Fletcher of the Long Beach News, one time mayor of Long Beach, not only completely sabotaged the Long Beach Labor Council's endorsement of Representative Byron Scott, but came out with songs of praise for the reactionary Republican candidate, James F. Collins. The Labor News is the official organ of the L. B. Labor Council.

The complete refusal of Fletcher to be guided by the unanimous democratic vote of the official labor body to which he is responsible, is crystal clear. Two weeks ago when a change was noted in the Republican campaign tactics, Landon ads were removed from the billboards and instead there appeared the face of Collins for congress.

Simultaneously the Labor News came out with great praise for Collins and continued it right up to election time. It was a complete repudiation of the unanimous action of the Labor Movement.

Not content with this sabotage we also see his signature on a "testimonial" to Collins appearing in throw-away publications.

Fletcher's treason is more clearly treacherous because he was chairman of the committee that reported favorably to the Central Labor Council on Byron Scott's request for Labor's endorsement.

Longshoremen In France Give Aid To Spain People

MARSEILLE, France — In a general meeting of the union, longshoremen here voted an assessment of 50 centimes per man per working day for the Fund in aid of Spain. Gangs of young longshoremen loaded the first food and clothing ship sent by the French workers to the Spanish government asking no pay for this work.

Longshoremen in Bordeaux subscribed 21,000 francs for the defense of Spanish democracy.

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Picketing Banned In Agriculture

POMONA—In line with a drive by authorities in cities throughout the Southern California agricultural districts to maintain low wages during the Winter season, the Pomona City Council is drawing up an ordinance banning picketing.

Mobs of vigilantes are being formed and local newspapers are leaving no stone unturned to create public sentiment against field workers, it is reported. In most places the "Red scare" is being worked up and all attempts at organization of labor is being attributed to "Communist agitators."

Union Soccer Team Drops Close One

San Francisco Union Recreation Center soccer team walked into a fast-moving game last Sunday with the Rovers which ended with a close score of 4 goals to U.R.C.'s 3. The game was a hot battle, looking like either team might win. U.R.C. moved swiftly the first half, bucking a gale of wind and a fierce opposition.

The Rovers scored the first two goals, after which U.R.C. immediately retaliated with another two points, making a tie. As the whistle was about to blow to end the first half, the ball was accidentally knocked into the Rovers' goal by one of our players.

Close Second Half

The second half was a more bitterly fought and tighter game. A goal apiece was won by each side. When the Rovers had succeeded in getting their 4th goal they played safe to win, but Careen sneaked in a goal. All players did the best they could. Some had spent the night before on the picket line and were feeling tired. The game was played at the Golden Gate Beach Stadium.

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The U.R.C. plays the Pens Sons next Sunday, Nov. 8, at 2:45.

BASKETBALL

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LENIN LED THE WAY—STALIN CARRIES ON HIS WORK



V. I. LENIN, great leader of the Bolsheviks, leader of the November, 1917, revolution, by which the Soviet workers and farmers overthrew capitalism once and for all. With Lenin is Joseph Stalin (at right) now general secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, who carries on the work and teachings of Lenin. Workers throughout the world celebrate the 19th anniversary of November, 1917, revolution.

L.A. Labor Council For Square Deal To News Guild

LOS ANGELES—In a ringing vote of concurrence the Los Angeles Central Labor Council went on record as supporting a resolution from the Central Labor Council of Alameda County which demanded that William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, in any move to end the strike of Hearst's Seattle Post-Intelligencer, insists that the basic rights of union labor be observed, especially of union recognition.

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L.A. Times Lies Hysterically About Ship Strike

LOS ANGELES—Hysterical in its attempts to build up a public sentiment of antagonism against the Communist Party as a basis for attacking the striking Maritime Union, the Los Angeles Times lies, misquotes, misinterprets, and distorts statements made by speakers at the Communist International Congress in an effort to show that the "Moscow Reds predicted the sea strike four months ago" and are now managing it.

Using the names of Sam Darcy and Earl Browder, the Times lies by asserting that Communists admitted responsibility for the 1934 maritime strike and the San Francisco general strike, as well as the present one, and seeming to forget that 95 per cent of the rank and file of the marine unions recently voted for these measures and that they are not to further the cause of Communism, as charged by the Times, but to guarantee decent wages and working conditions for the workers themselves.

IT'S YOUR RIGHT

CHICAGO—Convicted of "defacing property" by pasting anti-Hearst stickers on a wall, Saul Borstein was freed by the State Supreme Court.

BIGGEST CAMPAIGN COST

WASHINGTON—The Republican and Democratic Party spent almost \$11,000,000 between them on the presidential campaign—the biggest amount on record yet.

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SALINAS STRIKER WINS PRIZE BOOK; SEND NEWS AND WIN NEXT

One of our Salinas-Watsonville worker correspondents, the author of a Salinas article in the issue of Monday, Nov. 2, is the winner of R. Palme Dutt's "Fascism and Social Revolution."

This correspondent has written faithfully and regularly through-out the Salinas strike, while attending to all his duties as a striking member of the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union.

A week from this issue we will announce the winner of Labor Fact Book No. 3. The next two prizes in order will be a novel, "Conveyor," by James Steele, and "The Coming Struggle for Power," by John Strachey.

Send in your stories. Honorable mention is given this week to the Inglewood correspondent who spanked a red-baiting columnist.

Why hop around on one foot when we have two legs to progress on?

Arrest of Lasser Is Scored In Letter To the White House

By a Worker Correspondent

WEAVERSVILLE, California—Workers' Alliance of this town let the white house know it stands behind David Lasser and Herbert Benjamin who were arrested in Washington when they tried to present the demands of the Alliance for higher wages.

Here is the letter, send to Franklin D. Roosevelt:

Dear Sir: The Workers Alliance of Weaversville protests the arrest of our president, David Lasser and vice-president Herbert Benjamin and John Kelly for presenting our desire for a living wage. We demand the release of these workers.

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By an Oil Worker

For the first nine months of this year the Texas Co. managed to pile up profits of \$8 million dollars.

Alameda County Union Leader Urges Support of Earl King

SPOONER TELLS THAT SHIPPERS BACK FRAMEUP

Organized Labor Must Prevent New Mooney Case

The following interview was recorded a reporter of the Western Worker by William Spooner, Secretary of the Alameda County Board of Education.

It protec'ted the granting of dollars in subsidies to the shipping companies by the federal government "to maintain living standards" while these shipowners attempt to break down working conditions and wages of the maritime unions.

The resolutions were sent to President Roosevelt and Secretary of Commerce Roper.

At the same time the pledges of support were sent to the Maritime Federation of the Pacific.

BRICKLAYERS AID MOONEY IN A BIG WAY

SAN FRANCISCO.—A check for \$500 accompanied the following resolution, in support of Tom Mooney, passed by the recent Thirteenth biennial and 43rd convention of the Bricklayers International, held in Buffalo, N.Y.

WHEREAS, Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings have now served twenty years in prison on a charge of which they are completely innocent; and

WHEREAS, We and the entire labor movement, as well as all lovers of justice in this country and throughout the world, are convinced that they were imprisoned for no other reason than their activities on behalf of labor, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we demand the immediate liberation of Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings, and it further

RESOLVED, By this Convention, that the International Union should hereafter participate in all efforts to bring about this result.

Question—Why are you so convinced of the innocence of Earl King, Ernest Ramsay and Frank Connor, accused of the murder of George Alberts?

An Obvious Frameup

Answer—It is clear from a survey of the evidence brought forward in the Coroner's inquest that neither of these men could have had anything to do with the murder of Alberts. Five months after this inquest, at a time when the maritime unions were negotiating with the shipowners for new contracts, District Attorney Warren suddenly ordered the arrests of these union men.

Question—In other words, you believe that King, Connor and Ramsay are being framed?

Answer—Yes. I think that this is a frame-up similar to the one which Tom Mooney was railroaded to San Quentin. The shipowners want to break the maritime unions. They are trying to hang a spectacular murder charge on members of a marine union as the first step in an attack upon the Maritime Federation of the Pacific and upon all organized labor on the coast.

Question—What do you think of the statements made by Murphy and Guidera, as evidence against King and the others?

Murphy and Guidera

Answer—Murphy and Guidera's statements show that they both had it in for King because of differences as to trade union policy and tried to make use of the Point Lobs case as a club over King's head. When they found it wouldn't work they swung the club. It is obvious to me that their testimony is all part of the frame-up. What stands out more than anything else in these statements is Guidera's and Murphy's hatred for King, rather than evidence to show King was involved in the murder.

Question—Why are the police raising the red scare in connection with this case?

Answer—This is an old trick of the employers to raise the red scare in order to split the workers, to make the issue Communism in an attempt to take the people's mind off the real issue. In this case the frame-up was sprung in an attempt to split the unity of the maritime workers at a difficult time in their negotiations and to try to swing public sympathy away from the unions.

Question—Do you know King personally, and therefore are

Plenty Support Awaits Marine Unions

IN NORTHWEST

SPOKANE, Wash.—Support for the maritime unions becomes more evident everywhere you go up in the northwest. The Spokane Public Forum adopted a resolution pledging all the support the waterfront workers might need.

The same resolution had been passed by General Laborers Union 883 and by the Spokane Central Labor Council.

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Courtesy Union News Service (CIO).

"Point of Order"

(A Trade Union Column)

By Slim

THIS is the nineteenth birthday of the Soviet Union. On November 7, 1917, the workers and the farmers of the Soviet Union once and for all cast overboard the system whereby man exploits man for the enrichment of a handful of multi-millionaires, and the impoverishment of the many.

The trade unions, which had become revolutionary weapons, and in which the workers had been schooled for that final struggle which overthrew capitalism, played an important part in the November revolution.

Many American trade union members ask: "What part do the trade unions play in the Soviet Union?" Some ask if the unions still exist; others ask what are their functions; some have read in the Hearst press that the Soviet trade unions are mere rubber stamps for the government.

Let it be stated at the start that the government in actuality is the workers and the farmers, and all who toil with hand or brain.

But we'll come to this rubber stamp business later.

The All-Union Council of Trade Unions is the central trade union organization in the Soviet Union.

Every member of it was born of working-class parents; every member of it worked the best years of his or her life in mine, mill or factory.

In looking over the structure of the All-Union Council, you notice that its sections are as follows:

1—Responsible instructors of the All-Union Council of Trade Unions (whose job is the development of leaders of the unions from among the workers).

2—Section for planning wages (whose job is the drawing up, through consultations in each factory and each industry between the workers and the management, of new wage scales and agreements).

3—Social insurance bureau (whose task is the carrying out of the social insurance laws under which old-age pensions, maternity insurance and services, and many other similar benefits are provided for).

4—Labor inspection bureau (whose task is to see to it that fullest and most modern safety protection is provided in the factories and industries, among other things).

5—Cultural and club inspection (whose job is the supervision and further development of the theatrical groups, literary groups, educational circles, musical groups, clubs, with their many facilities of recreation and entertainment, which exist in every factory and place of work).

6—Physical culture bureau (whose task is the supervision and further improvement of sports organizations, physical culture, and health in every place of work).

And that's the idea of the functions of the trade unions in the Soviet Union.

Some workers ask if there are ever strikes in the Soviet Union, or if they are allowed.

With things like the above provided, would any American worker find cause to strike? Only, of course, anybody knows all these things will never be provided under a system of profits for few at the expense of the many.

If you ask the Soviet trade union member if he's allowed to strike, he'd laugh. He'd tell you that there's no cause for strikes.

He gets all the above—and he has a voice in the management of his factory, in the determination of what the output of his factory shall be.

He is the government—he and 170,000,000 other workers and farmers.

The wage scales are determined after discussion throughout the length and breadth of the country, in every factory.

The trade union leaders are men like himself, whom he has chosen—he and his fellow trade unionists. He knows the highest trade union leaders as men who fought through many a bitter strike in the days before the revolution, through many a tough spot in the revolution and the civil war.

Call his unions and his union leaders rubber stamps for the government, and he'll laugh heartily.

The government is he, and he is the government; the trade unions are run by and for him and his fellow workers.

And we'd advise against anyone telling him that his union is a rubber stamp, as he is leaving for a month's vacation, at full pay, all expenses paid.

Because then is when he'd laugh loudest.

FROM LABORERS

SAN FRANCISCO.—Indications of the kind of support the maritime unions may expect from non-waterfront unions is shown by what Laborers Union 281 is ready to do when the maritime unions need that support.

Its delegate McGovern, in the Central Labor Council, has assured the maritime unions that the Laborers feel obligated to aid the waterfront unions whenever they need it.

To that end Laborers Union members feel that their last belongs to the waterfront unions whenever they need it.

Warehousemen

Unite In L.A.

LOS ANGELES.—Organizers report that the Warehouse Workers' Union was granted a charter this week and that several meetings are scheduled to carry on intensive organization. They declared that within a short time all the eligible workers, numbering about 1500, will be enrolled.

The motion picture Painters Union have drawn up a resolution requesting that a conference of international unions be called upon to instruct the AFL convention, which is to be held in Tampa, Fla., to put in motion machinery that will result in declaring a closed shop of the motion picture industry.

The remaining unions, all of them comparatively new, have bettered working conditions and brought about proportionate raises in wages, with the Furniture Workers' Union the highest in the country.

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Expressing solidarity with the Maritime Unions, the Joint Council believes the best way to be of service to them is to organize the unorganized.

Fight To End Anti-Picket Act

L.A. Union Drive On Phone Company

LONG BEACH.—Recently, on receipt of a resolution condemning the Long Beach Anti-picketing ordinance and offering support to the Long Beach Oil Workers union in a fight against it, sent to the Long Beach Central Labor Council by the Sailors Union of the Pacific San Pedro branch, the Labor Council agreed to concur in the resolution and begin immediately a campaign against the ordinance.

The resolution is as follows:

WHEREAS: An ordinance of the City of Long Beach prohibits all picketing in that city; and

WHEREAS, The Teamsters Union recently was restrained from picketing a scab dairy outfit, the Richmonds, and members of the Teamsters Union were arrested, fined, and sentenced to jail for conducting peaceful picketing in front of the scab place; and this action, by the courts, was sustained by the Appellate Court; and

WHEREAS, The Oil Workers Union of Long Beach recently passed a resolution condemning the anti-picketing ordinance as being unconstitutional and a menace to the existence of Organized Labor and also declared for the waging of a campaign by Organized Labor to use the right of Legislative Initiative through a petition drive and have the anti-picketing ordinance wiped from the statute books; and

WHEREAS, This anti-picketing ordinance is the direct concern of the Maritime Unions in the Harbor, inasmuch as the Marine Service Bureau has recently been moved to Long Beach, and it becomes evident that the shipowners, if they force us into a lockout, will use Long Beach to run their scabs through, preventing any decisive measures by the Maritime Unions by means of the anti-picketing ordinance; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the delegates from this organization to the Central Labor Council introduce this resolution for their concurrence and with the further recommendation that the Central Labor Council of Long Beach and San Pedro-Wilmington form a joint committee for the purpose of waging a broad initiative campaign to bring this ordinance before the sovereign people and have it wiped from the statute books.

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RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Mayor and City Council of Long Beach; and be it further

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DRIVE IS ON FOR 15000 NEW MEN IN WOOD UNIONS

L.A. Unions Aim To Make Industries 100% Unionized

LOS ANGELES.—The Joint Council of Lumber Fixture and Furniture Workers announced this week the opening of a drive to organize between 10,000 and 15,000 unorganized wood workers in Los Angeles County.

Plans have been set up to establish local unions in each branch of the wood industry and wood workers all over Southern California are watching with keen interest the efforts of the Joint Council, which is made up of four of the strongest local unions—Millmen's Union, Furniture Workers' Union, Sawmill and Timber Workers' Union of Los Angeles and the Sawmill and Timber Workers' Union of San Diego.

Miserable Wages

Pointing to the miserable wages paid unorganized wood workers, the unions comprising the Big Four calls attention to their own gains since strengthening their forces.

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The Joint Council has pooled the resources of the individual unions and put organizers in the field to carry through the most intensive drive of union organization in the history of Los Angeles.

The Joint Council points to the successes of its approximately 4000 members and declares that a completely organized wood industry here would present one of the most powerful mainstays of organized labor in Los Angeles and a strong bulwark against reaction.

Expressing solidarity with the Maritime Unions, the Joint Council believes the best way to be of service to them is to organize the unorganized.

SOLID IN FACE OF EVERY OPEN SHOPPERS TRICK

LOS ANGELES.—In the tenth week of strike conditions, Rosenblum's, Inc., is in the position of being caught in the cross fire of open shop dictats from the labor-hating Merchants and Manufacturers' Association, on the one hand, and the militant stand taken by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union, on the other.

Resorting to all the vicious tactics of open shippers against the Clothing Workers' Union, Rosenblum's officials stand charged with doing everything possible to prevent a fair settlement of the strike.

From injunctions with resultant costly court litigations to the employment of scabs and provocateurs, from numerous arrests of workers in a siege of police terror to the perjury testimony of stool pigeons, and from noxious attempts by the reactionary press to discredit union workers to deceit and cunning; none of these damped the spirit that brought clothing workers out of sweatshops and starvation wages and into a powerful international union, and none will, if predictions can be gauged by the staunch moral and financial conditions the present ten-week strike finds the workers.

On the other hand, Rosenblum's, Inc., have paid an enormous price by following the policy of falling into line with the more than 50 local clothing shops now operating under union agreements. And Rosenblum's officials are beginning to learn that shabby, scab-made products are more expensive than the just demands of the Clothing Workers' Union.

Meanwhile, the fight goes on, and the clothing workers, backed by the full strength of organized labor in Los Angeles, promise they will continue their struggle for increased wages and union recognition until they win.

As a front for setting up a vigilante army, the growers are forming an organization for the "protection" of workers from "an invasion of subversive elements and strike agitators."

SIT-DOWN STRIKE IN RUBBER PLANT HAS 15000 OUT

AKRON.—A small sit down involving four men became a big sit-down involving 3,500 and in turn a lockout of 15,0